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## NO APPRECIABLE CHANGE.

HIS MAJESTY SPENDS QUIET DAY.

VERY SLOW BUT FAVOURABLE PROGRESS.

GREATER CONFIDENCE.

London, Dec. 21. No bulletin was issued this afternoon regarding the King, it being intimated that no further statement would be given out until this evening. This is regarded as an indication that the King continues to make good, if slow, progress and that His Majesty's medical advisers are satisfied with the course of events.

This morning's bulletin issued at 11.30 a.m., signed by three doctors stated: "The King had a restful night. There is no appreciable change to be noted. At 8.15 p.m. to-day, the following bulletin was issued from Buckingham Palace:

"The King had a quiet day. The local and general conditions show a very slow though favourable course."

To-night was the first time since the King's illness developed seriously that an air of confidence has been noticeable at the Palace.

Slow Progress.

The progress the King has been making has been very slow indeed, and some little time must elapse before complete confidence can be felt.

It is, however, certain that the grave anxiety of the past fortnight has now been allayed to a considerable extent.

The favourable turn in the King's condition, coming as it has done on the eve of Christmas, has relieved public anxiety and created a more cheerful outlook generally.

Prince George and Miners.

Prince George, the King's youngest son, arrived at Southampton to-day from New York in the Cunard liner Berengaria.

He was greeted by the Mayor of Southampton, who expressed the fervent hope that His Majesty would be speedily restored to complete health.

It was revealed that a cake made in honour of the Prince's 20th birthday, celebrated on board the Berengaria yesterday was auctioned and re-auctioned and then subdivided into minute pieces, the total amount realised being £3,067, which will be devoted to the Lord Mayor's Fund on behalf of the distressed miners.

Prince Reaches London.

The birthday cake was a huge one, beautifully ornamented, and made specially for the occasion by the confectioner of the Berengaria.

Prince George reached London this evening and proceeded at once to Buckingham Palace.

Council of State Meets.

London, Dec. 21. The Council of State met at Buckingham Palace this morning. All six Counsellors of State, namely, the Queen, Prince of Wales, Duke of York, Mr. Baldwin, the Archbishop of Canterbury, and Lord Hailsham, were present. The Council lasted less than half-an-hour. Sir Wm. Joyson-Hicks and Sir Maurice Hankey (Clerk of Council) were also present.

The Council transacted routine business and settled certain matters arising from the adjournment of Parliament.

The Queen also presided over a Privy Council, which Lord Cromer (the Lord Chamberlain) and Mr. Guinness (Minister of Agriculture) also attended.

Record of Speech.

By special permission of the King, the Columbia Graphophone Company is issuing for private circulation a gramophone record of His Majesty's last public utterance before his illness, namely his speech on opening the new Tyne bridge. The record will be preserved in the British Museum.

—Reuter.

## MURDERED BRIDE'S BODY EXHUMED.

BEING SHIPPED TO HONGKONG FOR RE-INTERMENT.

MIAO CRIME RECALLED.

London, Dec. 21.

A mystery was solved when it was learned to-day that the body of Mrs. Wai Sheng Yi Miao, the murdered bride of Chung-yi Miao, had been exhumed, but enquiries revealed that the exhumation was carried out by Mr. Walter Swinburne, who was largely instrumental in saving the dead woman from a pauper's grave by providing a plain oak coffin and by paying for the grave.

Chung-yi Miao paid the extreme penalty for his crime at Manchester a fortnight ago.

It is evident that the friends of the murdered woman in Hongkong have made representations to the authorities in connexion with the disposal of the body as the coffin was placed in a lead shell, which enclosed another oak coffin and sent from Keswick to Birkenhead for shipment to Hongkong with a view to re-interment.

It will be recalled that the terrible crime occurred in the Cumberland Lake District on June 19th, when Dr. Chung-yi Miao and his bride were on their honeymoon. The couple went out together, and Miao returned alone, his wife being found later in the day strangled with window cords.

—Reuter.

## DANGER TO BRITISH LEGATION.

PLIGHT IN EVENT OF FRESH AFGHAN OUTBREAK.

BRIGANDS REPULSED.

London, Dec. 21.

Further light is thrown on the recent serious disturbances in Afghanistan, particularly in reference to Kabul, by the Afghan Legation in London, which apparently is keeping in close touch with the situation by wireless, via Moscow.

It is now stated that the tribesmen with whom Sir Francis Humphries, the British Minister, conversed last week end, and who assured the British Minister that the British Legation was in no danger, were well armed robbers, numbering at least 7,000 disguised as Afghan troops.

This fact explains the report that part of the army had revolted.

The robber army was later completely routed by the Government troops, and driven back into the hills to the north of Kabul.

Afghan guards at the British Legation amount to only half a dozen police for protection, and the premises are incapable of defence against an organised force. The other Legations are similarly placed, but they are in easy reach of the centre of the city.

—Reuter.

## NEW YORK BANKING AFFILIATION.

TWO LEADING INSTITUTIONS CO-OPERATE.

New York, Dec. 21.

Banking resources totalling nearly \$500,000,000 will be united by the affiliation of two leading New York banking institutions—namely, the Bank of Manhattan Company and the International Acceptance Bank, Incorporated.

The latter is not merging, but will co-operate by an exchange of stock.

—Reuter's American Service.

## CHRISTMAS MAIL.

DELAYED BY BAD WEATHER

A wireless message has been received that the P. and O. s.s. Kadyan which is bringing the Christmas mail from Home, and was due here early to-morrow morning, has been delayed by bad weather, and will not arrive until 5 p.m., leaving the next day at 4 p.m.

## MASKED WORKMEN AT HOLBORN.

EXPLOSION DANGER AT LAST AVERTED.

GAS COMPANY BLAMES THE POST OFFICE.

GOVERNMENT INQUIRY

London, Dec. 21.

Masked workmen after almost superhuman efforts this afternoon succeeded in sealing up the great gas-main beneath the road in High Street, Holborn, from which gas had been pouring in great volumes since the explosion which created such havoc in the district yesterday.

After the main had been sealed up, the huge belches of flame which had been spouting up in the centre of the road for thirty hours were put out.

The authorities had not dared to put them out before as the flames acted as a safety valve by consuming the escaping gas.

Gravest Danger Passed.

Experts and officials are of opinion that although some risk of further explosion still exists, the greater danger has now passed.

Police, firemen, ambulance men and gas officials are still on guard lest further explosions should occur.

The one great point which has yet to be decided is the primary cause of the explosion.

## YANGTZE RIVER MINED.

Progress of the War in Szechuan.

A NEW ALIGNMENT.

Naval wireless messages received in Hongkong to-day from Chungking state that a notification has been given to the Consuls that the river has been mined.

It appears that General Yang Sen is on the side of General Li Hsiang and that so far the latter has been successful, Lo Tau-chow being defeated.

The boycott of British shipping at Ichang continues.

There is no change in the situation at Hankow, where police of the Special Administrative District continue to guard the Hankow Club against possible attack by officials of the Wine Bureau.

The Gas Company emphatically repudiate responsibility, and a keen controversy is already developing. The Company not merely disavow liability, but declare that they intend to send the Postmaster-General a big bill for damages.

P. O. Tunnell the Origin?

The Gas Company contend that the first explosion occurred in an old tunnel used to carry Post Office cables. This they allege damaged the gas mains and occasioned the subsequent havoc.

Postal officials decline to make any statement in this connexion.

In explanation of the Gas Company's allegation, an official to-day stated that the trouble began in a duct conveying telegraph cables of the Post Office, where electrical work was in progress.

He expressed the opinion that the first explosion was due to bitumen gas generated by the insulation on the electrical cables.

Board of Trade Inquiry.

It is understood that a Government Inquiry will be held to establish the responsibility.

—Reuter and British Wireless.

Later.

The Board of Trade has issued a statement announcing that an enquiry will be held into the cause of the Holborn explosion.

—Reuter.

London, Dec. 21.

Following a police warning, residents last evening saw a precaution evacuated the Holborn explosion area in view of the danger of

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## BRITISH OFFICER'S DISAPPEARANCE.

LIEUT. SCOTT, R.N., STILL NOT TRACED.

LITTLE HOPE HELD.

Wireless messages from Shanghai state that there is now little hope of Surgeon Lieutenant H. J. Scott, M.D., R.N., of H.M.S. Cricket, being found alive.

The missing officer was last seen on Friday, December 14, when he was one of a party at the Palace Cafe in the French Concession. He presumably left there alone at about four o'clock in the morning, saying that he was returning to his ship.

Since that time, he has not been seen, and although the Captain of the Cricket offered a reward, no information regarding Lieutenant Scott's whereabouts has been received.

A theory that he may have fallen into the Whangpoo owing to the Cricket being moored on the far side of two other naval vessels, necessitating clambering over two gang planks, has been scouted by the naval authorities, who point out that a strict guard is kept aboard each ship.

Messages received to-day state that he may have been taken into the native city or may have fallen overboard while returning to his ship.

The military and civil police are still continuing their search for the missing officer.

One of the last hopes entertained was occasioned by a report that Lieut. Scott was very friendly with officers of the s.s. Chinkiang, and might have sailed for Hongkong by accident.

A wireless message from H.M.S. Cornwall to the steamer, however, dispelled this theory.

## NEW PRISON RULES.

FINGER-PRINTS AND SENTENCE REMISSIONS.

Hongkong Prison Regulations have been amended as follows:

By the rescission of rule 239 and the substitution thereof of the following rule: "Such measurements, finger-prints, marks, and particulars of any kind, shall be taken, on admission or at any other time, as the Superintendent shall direct."

By the addition to rule 328 of the following paragraph: "Upon release of any prisoner by reason of remission earned by him, his sentence or cumulative sentences, as the case may be, shall be deemed to have expired."

## ITALIAN GENERAL'S DEATH.

MARSHAL CADORNA PASSES AWAY.

Rome, Dec. 21.

The death is announced of Marshal Count Luigi Cadorna, who was Commander-in-Chief of the Italian Armies in the early part of the Great War.

His death was prematurely reported on the 18th instant, a subsequent message saying that he was lying in a grave condition at Cordigliera.

—Reuter.

## NEW LONG-DISTANCE TELEPHONE.

ARGENTINE BAND HEARD IN BERLIN.

Berlin, Dec. 21.

A direct telephone service between Berlin and Buenos Aires was opened to the public to-day.

A band in Buenos Aires, playing the German National Anthem, was easily heard here.

—Reuter.

## DIPLOMATIC CHANGE.

Oslo, Dec. 21.

M. Gade, the Norwegian Minister to Brazil, has retired. He will be succeeded by M. Michelet, Minister for China and Japan.

—Reuter.

## MR. HOOVER'S TOUR.

Rio de Janeiro, Dec. 21.

Mr. Hoover has arrived here.

—Reuter's American Service.

## SWATOW CENSUS CARRIED OUT.

JAPANESE OBJECTION RESENTED.

A NEW BOYCOTT COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED.

KUOMINTANG REFORM.

Swatow, Dec. 18.

A census was recently taken in the port, the returns for which are not yet to hand. The rapid increase in the population would make the returns extremely interesting if they could be relied upon.

There was, however, considerable suspicion among the people as to the purpose of the investigation, and a general belief that the authorities have ulterior motives for making it.

On the day selected everyone was required to keep to his house for a period of two hours, and this was largely adhered to. There was an unusual quietness in the streets during the time that the returns were being collected. Boats and trains on the previous day and on the morning of the census were crowded with doubtful characters who thought, it was to be a temporary retreat, fearing that they might be one of the objectives of the returns.

Japanese Objection.

In connexion with the census it appears that a return of foreign residents and their property was required. As one had only recently been made, the Japanese Consul, at the request of his nationals, protested against the unnecessary duplication of business, and has not supplied the required information. The papers denounce his interference with the internal government of the country, as they call it, and even demand his recall!

The municipal branch of the Kuomintang has now been reconstructed and the new Committee is being elected. The branch was ordered some months ago to bring its activities to a close, and since then has been under the control of Commissioners appointed from Canton.

These carried re-registration of members, which proceeded rather haltingly and finished with a membership of some two thousand, not a large number for the port.

New Boycott Committee.

The main public activity of the Commissioners has been in connexion with the Japanese boycott. This, after some delay, was taken out of the hands of the Chamber of Commerce, and reconstituted under a wider committee.

The Boycott Committee has been prosecuting two of its members, for accepting bribes from merchants to pass goods, and they are on the track of an official at Theng-hai who ran a cargo of methylated spirits from Japan, but whose activities, though shielded by his own police, were interrupted by the military.

A big athletic meeting is being arranged for Dec. 24 and 25, and preliminary contests are already taking place. I understand that it is proposed that girl and boy students run on equal terms against each other.

Standardising Dollar.

An order is issued announcing the end of the system of weighing dollars as from the end of the year. This is presumably an attempt to standardise the dollar, and perhaps preliminary to the issue of new ones. But unless the Government can establish a new issue on a sound basis, it is difficult to see how any order of the Government can make merchants take dollars at their face value.

At present, there is not much weighing in retail business, but some dollars, notably the Yuan Shih-kai issue, go better than others and in the port they must be unchopped. Up country a variety of conditions obtain, and heavily chopped dollars gravitate to the more out-of-the-way places, where they are accepted as current coin.

—Our Own Correspondent.

Ten further cases of small-pox were notified yesterday, of which nine were from Kowloon.

## Bulls and Inners

From the Office Butts.

This week:—Every day is a Chooseday.

Mr. Braga doesn't like the Yaumati squatters. These persons are understood to renege.

What we don't know costs us a lot of money.

If it's true that "Buildings spring up like mushrooms"—somebody must have dropped a packet of seeds outside the A.P.C. Building!

If all the cumshaw cigars that are given this week were laid end to end across the Sahara Desert, many would be going about singing.

The O.B.I. is hereby presented to the young Kowloon matron, who, in answer to a dunning letter, wrote and said that such correspondence much cease as her husband did not approve of her receiving letters from strange men.

The worst shipping rates in Chinese waters are the pi-rates.

Quite a number of insular people now go to the Peninsula.

One of the ironies of life to a motorist is to find any number of available parking spaces the day after he has rented a garage.

The actuality of Father Christmas is only realised when Santa claws the spare cash.

There is no truth in the rumour that the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Road Diggers, has been given permission to hold its annual dinner in the new footpath hostel near the A.P.C. Building.

The Chinese who were arrested for betting with oranges, and were discharged, gave the police the slip.

A whistling buoy, a danger to navigation, is reported by the Harbour Office. Buys will be—Tut, tut!

Heard Everywhere:—"That will do for the present."

Judging from the number of telephone calls we have received during the past week and the anxiety displayed, we reckon that at least 47 residents of the Colony must have been members of the committee which selected the English Test Cricket Team.

Hongkong criminals don't like C.I.D.-vicious ways.

Take Your Choice:—"Thank you!" "Thank you so much!" "Just what I wanted!" "Oh, but really, you shouldn't have!"

"Where did you get it?" "How did you think of it?" "O-o-o, but darling!" "H'm! Is that all?"

"Jane:—There's nothing like a cold for bringing a man to his senses."

Judging by some of these screen romances, one can fall in love in Paris with great facility.

The "Huge Dam Planned in United States" in a Telegraph headline has, of course, no reference to the remarks of the wets re the Prohibition appropriation.

The Post refers to Edna Best's marriage as "Stage Wedding in New Jersey." Edna was always a nifty dresser.

Yet another supplementary vote for the C.S.O. building has been passed. Watch it grow!

Reporting a local wedding, a contemporary stated that the bridal couple took refuge behind the cake. Happily, they didn't burst into tiers.

The extra \$250 in the Supplementary Votes for Official Visits is credited to "Furniture." Or the cake. Happily, they didn't burst into tiers.

Turkey's former ruler was the sick man of Europe. This perhaps explains why his successor wants some of the Dead Sea salts.

It was shown at the Finance Committee meeting this week that a Government official's salary had been under-estimated by 85 cents. This is one of those things that cannot be overlooked.

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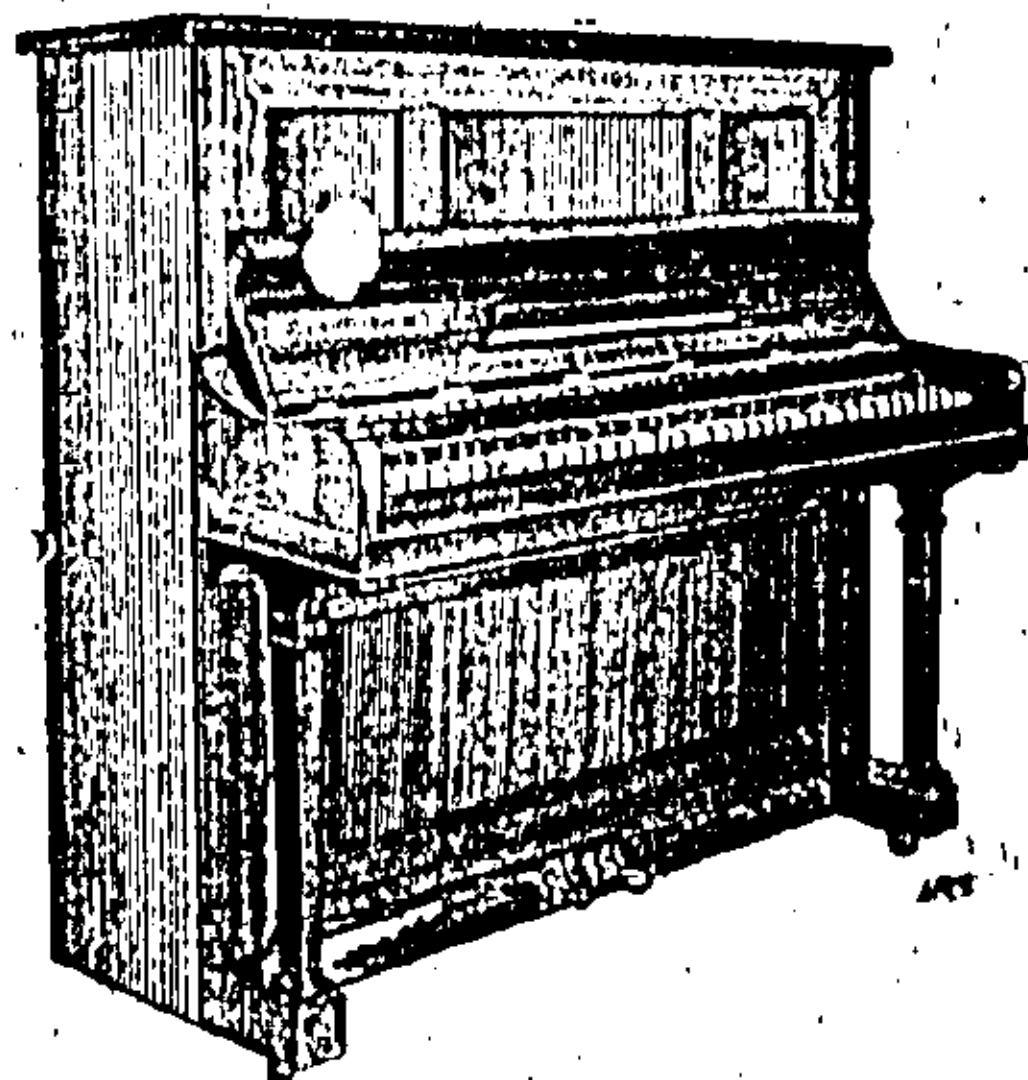
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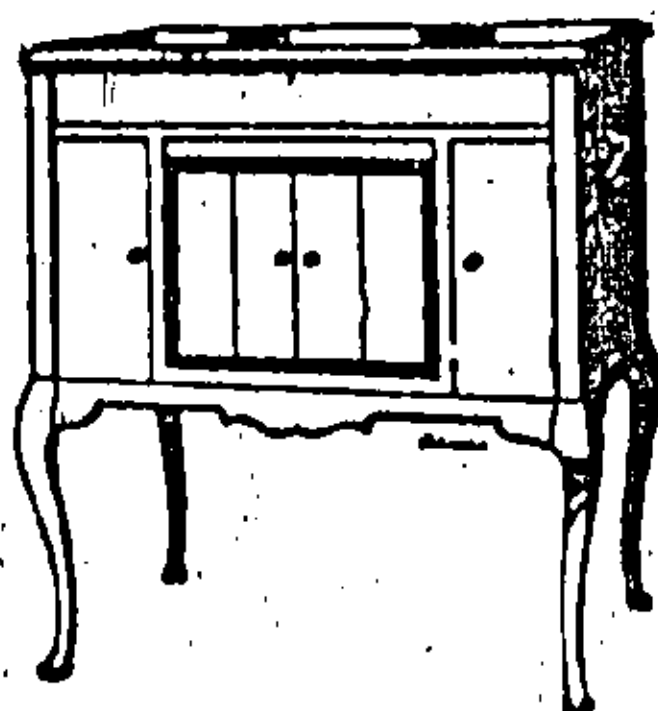
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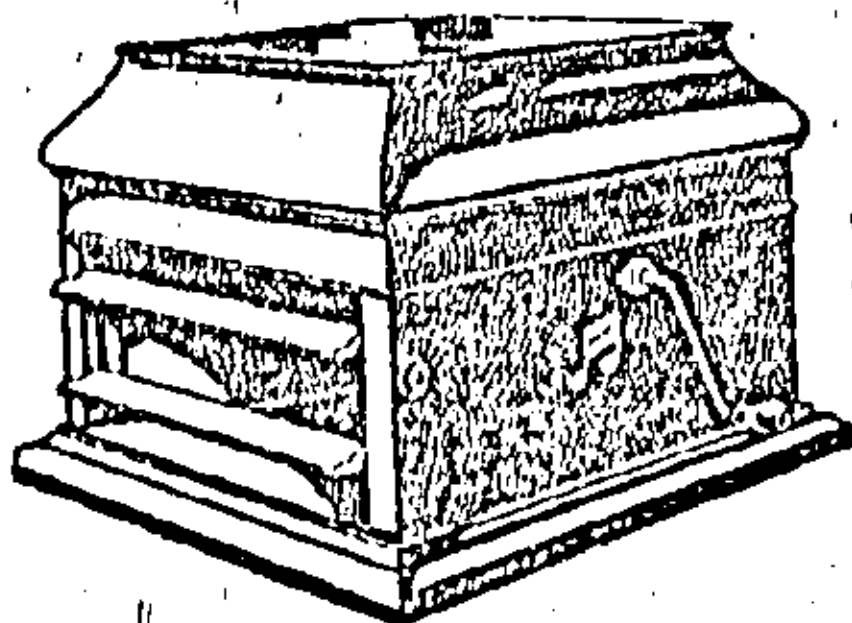


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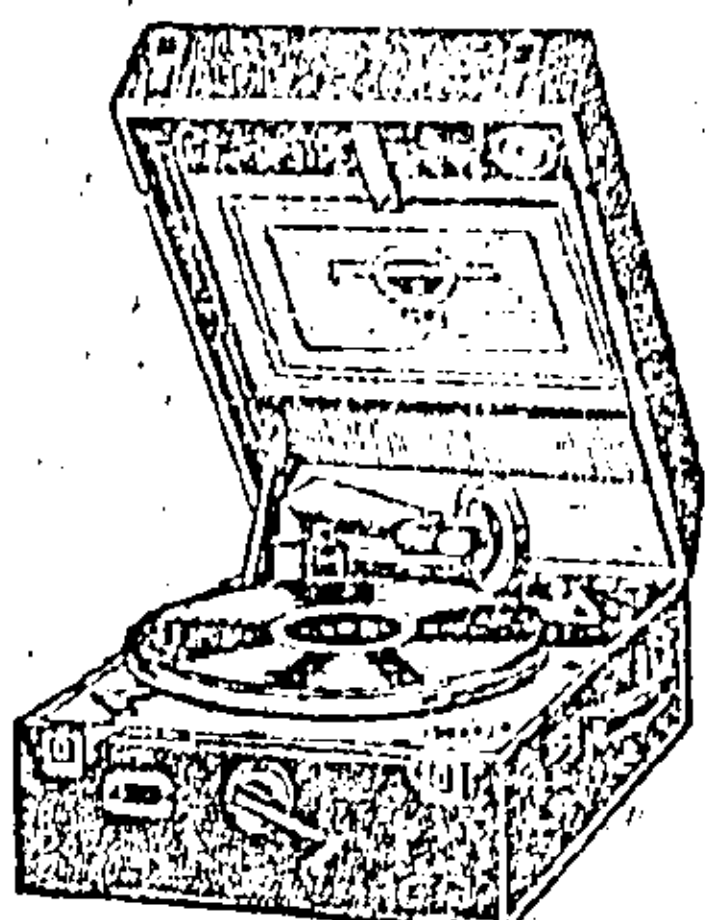


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## SCHOOL BREAKS UP.

### PRIZE DISTRIBUTION AT THE PEAK.

The Peak School had its annual prize day yesterday afternoon, the function being held in the Peak Club. There was a large gathering of parents and friends. Among those present were Mr. A. E. Wood, Director of Education, and Mr. E. Ralphs, Inspector of English Schools.

A pleasing entertainment by the children preceded the distribution of prizes. It consisted of songs and recitations, including an "advertisement" of well-known commodities. These as well as the Toys' ballet which followed, were much enjoyed.

Mrs. W. T. Southern gave away the prizes and at the conclusion, in a brief speech, expressed the pleasure it gave her to be asked to attend a function which was essentially a children's party. She also commented on the happy atmosphere which pervaded the school.

### Annual Report.

In her annual report the Headmistress (Mrs. P. Y. Stark) said: The School opened on January 9 with 82 pupils and closed on December 21 with 62 pupils. There was the usual exodus in March and April, and the number on the roll by May was 61.

Early in January whooping cough broke out and by the 27th of that month the school had to be closed for a time. In September, there was one case of diphtheria and at the end of November one other case.

The school has been visited by the Medical Officer, Dr. Standish, from time to time, and the children thoroughly examined, the parents being notified of any defects.

Miss Hendry was lent in January to replace Mrs. Lambert, who was away on account of whooping cough. In March, Miss Anderson went on home leave. Mrs. Mackintosh was appointed Temporary Assistant Mistress to replace her. At the end of the summer term Mrs. Lambert went home. In September Miss Benson was appointed Temporary Assistant Mistress to fill Mrs. Lambert's place. In November, Miss Cotton replaced Miss Benson, and Miss Anderson resumed duty, having returned from leave.

Throughout the year the classes worked steadily and well. The examination results were satisfactory, and a number of pupils were entered for the Royal Drawing Society Examination in June. Of the 20 entrants, 14 passed and 2 obtained Honours. Some of these certificates have already been given to children who went home in September.

The Headmistress concluded:—Thanks are due to Miss Anderson, who wrote the words for the clever advertisement display you have just seen; also we have to thank Talbot Dock for the excellent "Blue Funnel" and "Trencher Tin" they gave us. The staff must also be thanked for their willing co-operation throughout the year.

### The Prize Winners.

The following were the prize winners:

Class 10, Division A.—Hugh Cassidy, Yvonne Davenport Browne, Robin Mackintosh, Anne Marcel, June Perry, Jacqueline Thomson, and Oliver Wemack.

Class 10, Division B.—Geoffrey Bartlett, Dorothy Carpenter, Joy Carrie, Brian Clarke, Joan Douglas, Ian Douglas, Peggy Greenhill, Margaret Henderson, Justine Marcel, Gerald Monaghan, Wolfgang Orlepp, and Helen Sanger.

Class 9, Division A.—Class Prizes: 1st, Pamela Generosa, 2nd, Doreen Boxer-Smith. Drawing prize, Gordon Dunnett.

Class 9, Division B.—Class Prize, Mary Frances Wallace and Wolfgang Schramm; Special Drawing Prize donated by Messrs.

## ARMED ROBBERIES.

### TWO OCCUR IN WESTERN DISTRICT YESTERDAY.

Shortly before nine o'clock last night the Central Police Station received report of an armed robbery having just occurred at No. 139, Second Street, West Point.

It is learned that the premises, on the second floor, were occupied by a Chinese oil merchant named Shum Pui, who was at the time at home with his son.

Four men entered the door, which was not closed, and one of the robbers produced a ten cent piece, asking for some paints. The first man was closely followed by another who said that he wanted to purchase some colours. As the keeper of the shop was bargaining with the strangers, the latter suddenly produced two pistols and held up the inmates.

For over half an hour the robbers searched drawers and everything they could lay their hands on, and made off with bank notes and a pair of gold bracelets, of a total value of nearly \$400.

The robbers had bound their victims with wire. The alarm was raised when the men had got clear away.

Immediately upon receipt of the information, police officers arrived from the Central Police Station and were busy making enquiries until late last night.

At night Second Street is fairly dark, and parts of it were deserted by pedestrians at the time of the robbery.

### Daylight Robbery.

Under the usual pretext of desiring to rent rooms, a couple of men armed with pistols entered the third floor of a Chinese residence at No. 28, 1st Po-Lung Terrace, Kennedy Town, yesterday, about one o'clock in the afternoon, and succeeded in making good their escape with over \$100 of jewellery and clothing.

According to the inmates, they admitted the robbers into the house believing that they were prospective lodgers. There were only two women and a small boy on the premises at the time, and while the mistress was showing the rooms to the two strangers, one of them suddenly produced a pistol. The two men had no difficulty in binding and gagging the women, whom they then covered with a cotton quilt. The place was then ransacked, the men staying for over an hour.

At one stage the maid of the house made an attempt to scare the thieves by shouting that the master of the place was knocking at the door, but the robbers threatened that if she dared to make any attempt to approach the door they would fire at her. The women were left in a most disorderly condition, the desperadoes having conducted their raid with thoroughness.

The last property included a gold necklace, a pair of gold bangles and some clothing. The robbers when they left put all the booty inside a leather bag. It was a good while after their departure that the mistress succeeded in freeing herself. The affair was then reported to the police.

Reeve and Sons through Messrs. Der A Wing, Jimmy Mackenzie.

Class 8.—Class Prize, Anne Cooke.

Class 7, Preparatory.—Class Prizes: 1st, Helen Lindsell, 2nd, Audrey Newhouse. Drawing Prizes, 1st, Malloch Starke, 2nd, Richard Cassidy.

Class 7.—Class Prizes: 1st, Kathleen Wolfe, 2nd, Marshall Draper. Drawing Prizes: 1st, Doreen Hynes, 2nd, Kathleen Wright. Progress Prize, Oskar Bitzer.

Class 6.—Class Prize, Elaine Draper.

Royal Drawing Society Certificates.—Preparatory Division: Malloch Starke (Honours), Richard Cassidy (Honours), Audrey Newhouse, Thelma Jouling, Sylvia Pethick, Annie Cooke, Margaret Lambert, Alice Fowler, and John Mitchell. Division I: Oskar Bitzer, and Kathleen Wright. Division 2: Betty Mitchell, Joan Frank, and Marion Lane.



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A gift that will last. In Polish and Nickel Plated Fittings.  
Price \$6.50 to \$18.50.

## MEN'S OUTFITTING DEPT.

# WHITEAWAYS

### ENGAGEMENT.

BENNO MOISEWITSCH TO  
MARRY SHANGHAI LADY.

Shanghai, Dec. 21: The engagement of Benno Moisewitsch, the famous pianist, to Annie Gensburger of Shanghai, is announced.—Reuter.

[Moisewitsch is well-known throughout the Far East. He has made two tours in recent years and has played in all the principal cities.

Born in Odessa on February 22, 1890, he was first married in 1914 and has two daughters. He was educated at the Imperial School of Music at Odessa, where he won the Rubinstein prize and

at Vienna under Leschetitzky from 1905 to 1908. He went to England in the latter year and made his debut in the Queen's Hall, London, in 1909, achieving instantaneous success. He is now one of the world's great pianists.

His recreations are given in "Who's Who" as motoring and billiards.]

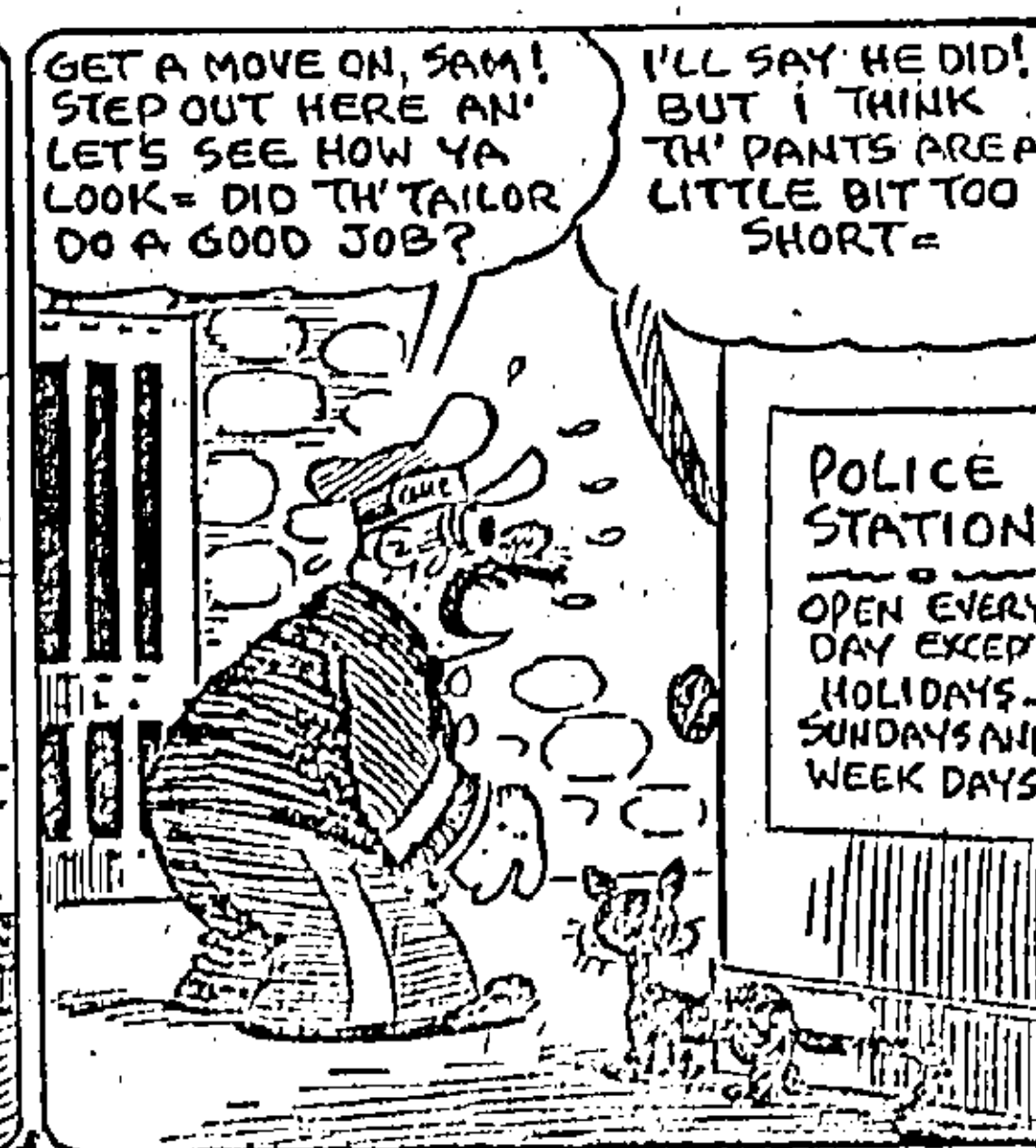
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## THE SINO-BRITISH AGREEMENT.

### DR. WANG'S DIPLOMATIC TRIUMPH.

Nanking, Dec. 21.  
A participant in the ceremony  
of signing the Sino-British treaty,  
interviewed by Reuters, states that  
very friendly feeling prevailed.  
It was obvious on Wednesday  
afternoon that the documents  
would not be ready for signature  
until after midnight. Sir Miles  
Lampson gave a dinner to Messrs.  
Hu Han-min, Sun Fo and Wang  
Ching-wei at the British Consulate.  
Dr. C. T. Wang meanwhile was  
busy signing the Portuguese and  
Dutch treaties. At 11 p.m. Sir  
Miles Lampson and his staff went  
to Dr. C. T. Wang's house, where  
Dr. Wang, Sir Miles Lampson,  
Meyrick Hewlett and Mr. Chu  
Chang-nien whiled away the time  
at bridge until 1.15 a.m., when Dr.  
Wang and Sir Miles Lampson  
began signing the Chinese and  
English versions of the treaty,  
which was completed at 1.45;  
after which the success of the  
future relations of the two coun-  
tries was toasted.

Yesterday morning Dr. Wang  
lunched with the British, Dutch  
and Portuguese Ministers and the  
Swedish Charge d'Affaires. Most  
of the Chinese political leaders  
were present. After this the Bri-  
tish, Dutch and Portuguese Minis-  
ters crossed to Pukow and entrained  
for Peking.

The reaction to the signing of  
the Sino-British treaty in Chinese  
official circles is entirely favour-  
able. It has fully dissipated  
rumours of possible Anglo-Japan-  
ese closer co-operation in con-  
nexion with Chinese affairs, while  
even the political opponents of Dr.  
Wang concede that he has achiev-  
ed a diplomatic triumph.—*Reu-  
ter.*

### Effect of the Treaty.

London, Dec. 21.  
The effect of the new Sino-Bri-  
tish treaty and the accompanying  
exchange of notes is to cancel all  
provisions in the existing treaties  
which limit in any way China's  
right to settle her national cus-  
toms tariff, or to impose tonnage  
dues in such a way as she may think  
fit.

Reciprocal most-favoured-nation  
treatment is accorded to the na-  
tionals and goods of both parties  
in regard to Customs and internal  
duties levied upon imports and ex-  
ports. The principle of reciprocal  
most-favoured-nation treatment is  
also extended to ships of both par-  
ties in regard to tonnage dues and  
all matters connected therewith.

With regard to goods produced  
or manufactured in the Dominions,  
Colonies etc., these receive most-  
favoured-nation treatment in China  
so long as goods produced or  
manufactured in China receive  
most-favoured-nation treatment in  
such Dominions, etc. The Chinese  
Government further gives an as-  
surance that the rates of the na-  
tional Customs tariff to be adopt-  
ed by the Chinese Government will  
give effect to the surtax schedule  
agreed upon by the foreign delega-  
tions at the Tariff Conference of  
1926; that these are the maximum  
rates to be levied on British goods,  
and that these will remain  
maximum rates on such goods for a  
period of at least twelve months  
from the date of enforcement of  
tariff.

It is understood that further as-  
surances have also been given  
regarding the intention of  
the Chinese Government to  
abolish akin and similar duties  
as soon as possible; also  
that when goods have once paid  
import duties to the Maritime cus-  
toms in accordance with the rates  
imposed in the national tariff,  
they will not be subjected to any  
further levies of a similar nature.  
—*British Wireless.*

### On a Sound Basis.

London, Dec. 21.  
The signature of the Anglo-  
Chinese treaty at Nanking is au-  
thoritatively described in London  
as the first tangible step in putting  
Anglo-Chinese relations on a  
sound basis, opening a new era in  
this connexion, and being the first  
opportunity to put into operation  
the very liberal British policy to-  
wards China announced some time  
ago.—*Reuter.*

## THE WORLD'S NICKEL.

### BRITISH CONTROL OF THE SUPPLY.

London, Dec. 21.  
Lord Melchett has announced  
that a provisional agreement has  
been signed between the interna-  
tional Nickel Company of Canada  
and the Mond Nickel Company,  
whereby the former offer to ex-  
change the latter's share capital  
for their own issues. The capital  
involved, at present market prices,  
approximates £120,000,000.

The Canadian Nickel industry  
accounts for over 80 per cent. of  
the world output, and it is practi-  
cally in these two companies'  
hands.

The new company will be a  
Canadian one.—*Reuter.*

## A SHAM PRINCESS'S ADVENTURES.

### GERMAN "HIGHBORN" FETE A DAIRYMAID.

Berlin, Nov. 19.  
After having waited for over a  
year, in the hope that their credu-  
lity would not be made a public  
laughing-stock, the aristocracy of  
Berlin and one or two other  
Thuringian towns must now face  
one of the most amusing trials in  
the history of Germany, that of  
"Princess Margarete of Prussia."  
Thirty witnesses and a number  
of specialists will contribute  
in telling the tale of the dairymaid,  
Martha Barth, who succeeded in  
imposing on well over a score of  
members of the best German fami-  
lies. For three years this girl  
servant, notwithstanding her un-  
refined looks, lived a life of luxury,  
a centre of attraction in former  
Thuringian Court circles.

A mere photograph of her in a  
smart riding costume was enough  
to guarantee the genuineness of  
this "Princess," and when Martha  
Barth was gracious enough to al-  
low one of Thuringian's aristoc-  
rats a peep at her sparkling  
diadems and gold trinkets—all  
bought for a few shillings at some  
Berlin bazaar—he would feel satis-  
fied in obliging her with a loan.

### Admirer's Discovery.

Thus "Princess Margarete"  
passed from house to house and  
from one love adventure to an-  
other, always dropping a word  
about her "near relation," such as  
Prince August Wilhelm, of Pots-  
dam, where she had been employed  
in the cowshed.

By some unlucky fate the attrac-  
tions of the cowshed, as a change  
from all this high life, were too  
great for her. She left for Pots-  
dam to visit her "relations." Two  
persistent ladies, who had sacrifi-  
ced most of their fortune to her  
and hoped to be recompensed by  
a chance at a real "Royal Family,"  
followed her and inquired at  
Prince August Wilhelm's palace  
for Princess Margarete.

To their horror they then learn-  
ed, what no one in Thuringia had  
dreamed of, that Princess Mar-  
garete of Prussia died in 1850, and  
soon they saw their honoured  
"Princess" in the cowshed.

The impostor, however, did not  
even then give up the game. The  
servant question was so difficult,  
she explained, that she was forced  
to look after domestic affairs now  
and then. But a word with the  
other servants made the situation  
plain.

The game was up, and the trial  
dreaded by so many is to begin.  
By a curious coincidence the  
pseudo "Wilhelm of Prussia,"  
alias Harry Domela, has just been  
arrested in the Palatinate for  
fresh rogeries. Domela, it will  
be remembered, was welcomed  
everywhere by the Thuringian  
aristocrats, and a special "Royal  
performance" at the Municipal  
Theatre in Gotha was given in  
his honour.

## NIGHT CLUB SCANDAL.

### EX-POLICEMEN AND TWO OTHERS COMMITTED.

London, Dec. 21.  
Sergeant Goddard, Ribuffi, and  
Mrs. Meyrick, charged on Decem-  
ber 3, have been committed to  
trial, all on bail of £2,000 each.—  
*Reuter.*

[A London message of December  
3 stated that the swift action  
taken by Scotland Yard following  
definite evidence of the leakage of  
police secrets connected with pro-  
posed raids on notorious night  
clubs, had given a sensational  
turn to the case in which Ser-  
geant Goddard, of the Vine Street  
Police Station, is charged with  
corruptly accepting a gift of £50  
from Mr. Ribuffi, the assistant  
manager of the Uncle's Club in  
Albemarle Street.

Sergeant Goddard failed to ac-  
count to a police "court-martial"  
for the possession of £12,000, al-  
leged to have been obtained from  
aliens running night-clubs. He  
was dismissed from the Force,  
and subsequently charged.

When he appeared in the dock  
on remand at Bow Street on De-  
cember 3, two new prisoners were  
with him. One was Mr. Ribuffi, and  
the other was Mrs. Meyrick, the  
so-called "Night Club Queen."  
Sergeant Goddard, Ribuffi and  
Mrs. Meyrick were all charged  
under the Prevention of Corrup-  
tion Act. Counsel for the pro-  
secution, Mr. Clarke, said that  
evidence would be submitted to  
show an anonymous letter was re-  
ceived at Scotland Yard on  
August 23, this year, alleging that  
Sergeant Goddard was flagrant-  
ly receiving bribes from the pro-  
prietors of night clubs.

Goddard, who was refused bail  
at the previous hearing, was re-  
leased on bail of £1,000, which  
was provided by a pawnbroker.  
Mrs. Meyrick was granted bail of  
£2,000, of which she deposited one  
half herself. Bail was refused to  
Ribuffi, who was remanded in cus-  
tody.]



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Hongkong, December 21, 1928.

### THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

#### ANNUAL RACE MEETING.

25th, 26th, 27th February and  
2nd March 1929.  
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Hongkong, 15th December, 1928.

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## CHURCH NOTICES.

To-morrow the Fourth  
Sunday in Advent.

## CHRISTMAS SERVICES.

St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong,  
December 23, 1928, 4th Sunday  
in Advent, Holy Communion  
8 a.m. Children's Service 10  
a.m. Peak Sunday School 10  
a.m. Mattins 11 a.m. Preacher:  
Rev. H. V. Knop. Evensong 6  
p.m. Preacher: The Dean.  
Choral Evensong on Christmas  
Eve at 5.30 p.m.

Union Church, Kennedy Road,  
Minister Rev. F. C. Young,  
Sunday 23rd December, 1928.  
Morning Service 11 a.m. Preacher:  
The Minister. Sermon:  
"God Made Real." Hymns 174,  
727, 178, 169. Evening Service  
6 p.m. Preacher: The Minister.  
Sermon: "The Gift of Hope."  
Hymns 164, 165, 177, 172.  
Christmas Day, December 25th.  
Christmas Morning Service 11  
a.m. Preacher Rev. F. C. Young.

St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon,  
December 23rd, 4th Sunday in  
Advent. 8.15 a.m. Holy  
Communion. 10 a.m. Sunday School  
Service. 11 a.m. Morning Prayer  
and Sermon. Preacher The  
Vicar, 2.45 p.m. Sunday Schools  
Xmas Gift Service. 6 p.m.  
Evening Prayer and Carol Service.  
Preacher Rev. E. K. Quick.  
December 25th Christmas Day.  
7.15 a.m. Holy Communion.  
11 a.m. Morning Prayer and  
Communion. Preacher The  
Vicar, December 26th 8.15 a.m.  
Holy Communion. December  
27th 7 a.m. Holy Communion.  
December 28th 7 a.m. Holy  
Communion.

Wesleyan Methodist Church,  
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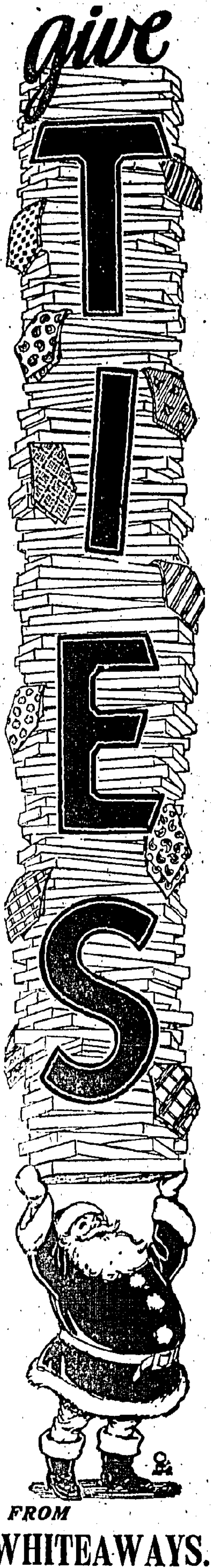
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Shanghai and Swatow	Sinking	December 22
Europe via Suez (letters and papers)		
London 22nd and parcels, 15th November	Kalyan	December 23
Straits	Hakone Maru	December 23
Straits	Suisang	December 24
Manila	Pres. Pierce	December 24
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Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London 1st December)	Hector	December 24
Amoy	Talamba	December 25
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Japan and Shanghai	Kashima Maru	December 28
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Manila	President Jackson	December 31
Japan and Shanghai	Chenonceaux	January 1

### OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date and Time
Amoy	Klukiang	Sat., Dec. 22, 1.30 p.m.
Swatow	Chaksang	Sat., Dec. 22, 2.30 p.m.
Port Bayard	Wing Lee	Sat., Dec. 22, 2.30 p.m.
Saigon	Solviken	Sat., Dec. 22, 3.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Jackson	Sat., Dec. 22, 4.30 p.m.
Sam Shui and Wuchow	Kochow	Sat., Dec. 22, 4.30 p.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Kaying	Sat., Dec. 22, 5 p.m.
Wei Hai Wei	Hulchow	Sat., Dec. 22, 5 p.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Hiram	Sun., Dec. 23, 8.30 a.m.
Amoy and Formosa via Swatow	Canton Maru	Sun., Dec. 23, 9 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, and Europe via Siberia	Kalyan	Sun., Dec. 23, 9 a.m.
Swatow	Hydranga	Sun., Dec. 23, 9 a.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Hakone Maru	Mon., Dec. 24, 10.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Hector	Mon., Dec. 24, K. P. O.

Registration ..... 1 p.m.  
Letters ..... 1 p.m.  
G. P. O.

Registration ..... 1.45 p.m.  
Letters ..... 2.30 p.m.  
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## WHAT TO SEE OVER THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

## AT THE QUEEN'S

SUNDAY and MONDAY	JOAN CRAWFORD in <b>ROSE MARIE</b>
XMAS & BOXING DAYS	CLARA BOW in <b>HULA</b>
THURSDAY to SATURDAY	GRETA GARBO in <b>THE DIVINE WOMAN</b>

## AT THE WORLD

SUNDAY and MONDAY	GLORIA SWANSON in <b>STAGE STRUCK</b>
XMAS & BOXING DAYS	SYD CHAPLIN in <b>THE BETTER 'OLE</b>
THURSDAY to SATURDAY	IANET GAYNOR, CHARLES FARRELL in <b>7th HEAVEN</b>

## AT THE STAR

SUNDAY and MONDAY	RICHARD DIX in <b>THE QUARTERBACK</b>
XMAS & BOXING DAYS	HAROLD LLOYD in <b>HOT WATER</b>
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### "THE WELL OF LONELINESS."

MAGISTRATE FINDS  
BOOK OBSCENE.

"I ORDER IT TO BE  
DESTROYED."

#### PROTEST IN COURT.

Sir Chartres Biron, the Bow-street Magistrate, has given his decision in the case affecting the novel, "The Well of Loneliness," by Miss Radclyffe Hall. He held that the book was obscene and ordered the seized copies to be destroyed.

He heard arguments by counsel when he ruled that the evidence of about 30 witnesses—literary, scientific, and medical men—who wished to express their views on the book, was inadmissible.

Messrs. Jonathan Cape, Ltd., of Bedford-square, and Mr. Leonard B. Hill, Great Russell-street, representative of the Pegasus Press, Paris, were summoned to show cause why copies of the novel (which was banned by order of the Home Office) sent from France, and seized by the authorities, should not be destroyed.

Mr. Eustace Fulton represented the Director of Public Prosecutions; Mr. Norman Birkett, K.C., appeared for Messrs. Cape, Ltd.; and Mr. J. B. Melville, K.C., for Mr. Hill.

The Court was crowded. Miss Radclyffe Hall was present with a woman friend.

Sir Chartres Biron said that he had thought it right before coming to a decision to consider the book in view of the statements made to him by counsel for the defence.

"First of all, one thing is clear," he said. "This case does not raise any question of censorship. The only question for me to decide is whether this book is an obscene libel according to the common law of this country."

"Before he could order the book to be destroyed—if he came to that conclusion—he had to be satisfied it was an obscene libel."

#### The Defence.

It was contended at first by the defence, he said, that the book nowhere related to physical misconduct between women, and that was put forward very strongly by the defence on behalf of the publishers.

It was put forward in cross-examination by Mr. Norman Birkett, he said, who tried to make a subtle distinction between what he called inverta and pervers. He tried to show that the inverta were born with certain inclinations. In consequence of that, an accident of birth for which they were not responsible, they were forced into companionship with their own sex.

It was urged by the defence, he said, that that might very easily be misunderstood by a censorious world, and therefore they should be deserving of sympathy. He said as they were to be misunderstood,

"I confess," said Sir Chartres, "that after reading the book I was surprised at this contention being put forward, and I was not surprised when, after the adjournment, Mr. Birkett announced that he was not in a position to contend any further that this book did not relate to unnatural offences between women in every sense of those words."

Mr. Birkett, however, with Mr. Melville, said Mr. Chartres, urged there was nothing in this book which in any sense outraged decency. The subject, counsel said, was dealt with with restraint, and that there was nothing in the book which would induce people to approve of certain practices and nothing which tended to their glorification.

#### "Obscene" Defined.

Sir Chartres said that this greatly simplified the issues he had to try.

"But before I say more," he said, "there seems to be a considerable misunderstanding about the meaning of the word obscene. It is suggested that this book cannot be described fairly as obscene because in the course of it there are no filthy words, and it is said to be well written, and should be regarded as a work of literature, and, therefore, not a proper subject for these proceedings."

"I find that the Standard Dictionary describes the word obscene as 'offensive to chastity, decency, or decency . . . or offensive to the moral senses as to excite lustful passions.'"

"Mr. Justice Cape, in the leading case of the Queen v. Bickley, said: 'I think the rest of obscenity in whether the tendency of the matter charged is so obscene as to deprave and corrupt those whose minds are open to immoral influences.'"

Sir Chartres said it was not without some significance that the defendants had not gone into the box, but had maintained a discreet silence.

"The point that the book is well written and, therefore, should not be subjected to these proceedings is an entirely untenable position," he said. "I agree that the book has some literary merits, but the very fact that it is well written can be no answer to these proceedings, because otherwise we should be in the preposterous position that the most obscene books would be free from stricture. It must appear to everyone of intelligence that the better an obscene book is written the greater the public to whom it is likely to appeal."

"The more palatable the poison," he said, "the more insidious."

"The substantial question before me," he continued, "is Mr. Melville's contention that this book as a whole does not define unnatural practices between women and does not glorify them. In considering this question it is necessary to speak somewhat plainly."

#### A Tragedy.

"These unnatural offences which are the subject of this book, involve acts which between men would be criminal, and would involve acts of the most horrible, unnatural and disgusting obscenity. That is a fact that no one can deny."

"Therefore," he said, "if I find in this book that these practices

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Boris Seroff, ballet master of the "Parisian Revue," which opens a week's season at the Queen's Theatre to-morrow, appearing at the 9.20 p.m. performances.

### "THE WELL OF LONELINESS."

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are defined, or, in any way held up to admiration, no reasonable person can say that the book is not, in that case, an obscene publication.

"I can imagine a book written on this subject presenting the whole matter as a tragedy—the tragedy being that there may be people so afflicted who try their best to fight against this horrible vice, and find themselves in peril in that direction, or unable to resist its tendencies that result in the moral and physical degradation—I can imagine dealing with the subject on those terms forming the subject of a novel which might have a strong moral influence. But does this book do it?"

"I am told by Mr. Melville," he said, "that the book is presented as a tragedy. That is true in a sense, but what is the tragedy? It is not the tragedy that I have just indicated, of people fighting against immoral instincts and unable to resist them. On the contrary the tragedy is presented here as that of people who indulge in these vices and who are not tolerated by decent people, not received in society, but ostracised."

"The whole note of the book is a passionate and almost hysterical plea for the toleration and recognition of these people, and that their practices should be tolerated and recognised in decent society. It is a long book of 500 pages dealing solely or in the main with unnatural offences."

#### "Attractive People."

"There is not a single word from beginning to end in this book," he continued, "which suggests that anyone with these tendencies is in the least blameworthy, or that they should be resisted. Every one of the characters in this book who indulge in these vices are presented to us as attractive people, and put forward for our admiration, and those who object to these vices are sneered at in this book as prejudiced, foolish, and cruel."

"What is a much more serious matter, the actual physical vices are described in the most alluring terms. It is actually put forward that this indulgence improves their mental balance and capacity."

Sir Chartres quoted a passage from the book describing the friendship between the heroine, who was presented as a very fine character, and a married woman whom she ultimately persuaded to indulge in these practices.

After reading the passage, Sir Chartres said, "And in view of that I am asked to say that this book is not a defence of these practices."

He said that it was very significant, in view of that appeal to him, that the girl was described in the book as expressing her approval of these practices. When the mother spoke to her about this slur on her life, she replied, "I am not ashamed of it. There is no shame in me."

#### Authors's Protest.

Sir Chartres said that those were passages which had impressed themselves on his mind when he was asked by the defence to say that the book was in no sense a defence of unnatural practices between women or a glorification of them or praise of them.

"The whole of this book, putting it on the most temperate basis," he said, "is a demand for the toleration and recognition of this type of women—that in ordinary society they should not be made outcasts or pariahs or ostracised by decent people."

He said there was a suggestion in the book that a number of wo-

men who were at the front, women of position and character, engaged in ambulance work, were addicted to these practices.

Miss Radclyffe Hall calling from where she sat at the solicitors' table, said, "I protest, I most emphatically protest. I am the authoress of this book, and I cannot let that remark pass."

Sir Chartres Biron—If you cannot behave yourself in this court, I shall have to have you removed.

Miss Radclyffe Hall—It is a shame.

A police sergeant approached Miss Radclyffe Hall and told her that she must keep quiet.

Sir Chartres continued his judgment by quoting further passages from the book. One of these was what he described as "the life of these two people living in filthiness." Another incident in the book which seemed to have been overlooked by the defence, was that the mother was denounced as a cruel, pitiless woman when she would not allow Stephen to bring the girl she had debauched into her household.

There was another description in the book of a menage in Paris kept by a French woman who, he said, was presented to the public as the leading perverted woman in Paris. She was described, and all the people who frequented the menage were described—although they had this vice—in terms of considerable eulogy.

#### Right of Existence.

Then, he said, there was the incident when the mother refused to allow Mary to stay in the house with Stephen, and Stephen answered, "There is only one way to meet this situation," and threw herself into Mary's arms.

The book, he said, concluded with singular and hysterical passages in which the Deity was mentioned quite frequently. The concluding passage asked that He should "acknowledge us before the whole world and give us also the right of our existence."

"I confess," said Sir Chartres, "the way in which the Deity is introduced seems to be singularly inappropriate and disgusting."

Unfortunately these women did exist, he added, and the book asked that their existence should be recognised and tolerated, instead of their being treated with condemnation as they were at present by all decent people.

"These being the terms of the book," he said, "I have no hesitation whatever in saying it is an obscene libel; it would tend to corrupt those into whose hands it should fall and the publication of this book is an offence against public decency, an obscene libel, and I shall order it to be destroyed."

Mr. Fulton asked for costs, and Sir Chartres ordered the defendants to pay them.

Miss Radclyffe Hall, as she left the court, said to sympathising friends, "Believe me, the end is only beginning."

Miss Radclyffe Hall's Statement.

Miss Radclyffe Hall, interviewed after the case ended, said:

"Long passages in my book were misinterpreted in the most amazing and shocking manner."

"I particularly take exception to the Magistrate's reference to the war work done by British women, whom he has held up to approval in a public court."

"Those women were the finest, the most courageous, the most sacrificing, and above all, the purest (with great emphasis) members of the British Empire during the War."

"That their fine work should be held up to question is a terrible thing. I defy anybody," she added, "to read that portion of the 'Well of Loneliness' which deals with the war work done by women and to find in the writing of that portion anything but the highest and most reverent respect for the moral character of those women."

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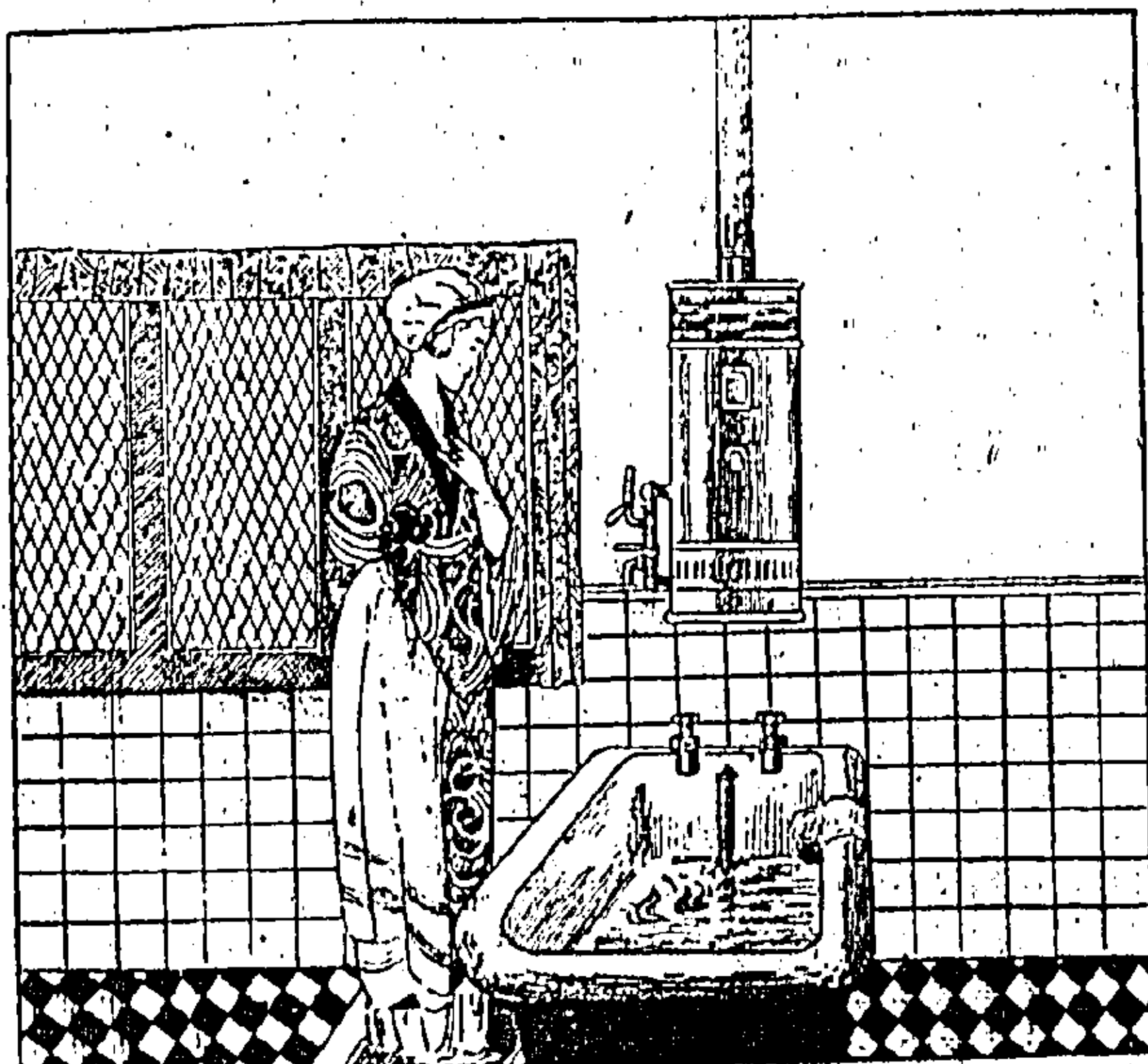
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## HAGEN COMING.

MATCH WITH SMITH  
AT FANLING.

It is probable that Hongkong golfers will have an opportunity of seeing Walter Hagen, one of the world's foremost players, at Fanling during the early part of next year. Lieut.-Colonel E. D. Matthews, the Secretary of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club, has received an enquiry from Hollywood with regard to Hagen playing exhibition matches here in February next provided a sufficient guarantee is forthcoming.

Local golfers who have been approached on the matter are enthusiastic and it is hoped steps will be taken with the view to inducing this famous golfer to come. It is understood Lieut.-Colonel Matthews would welcome the views of the Secretaries of other golf clubs in the Colony upon the point and would gladly get in touch with them with the view to seeing what can be done.

## To Play Against Smith.

It is suggested that should Hagen come to the Colony, G. E. Smith, the Lossiemouth professional, who is now here and will not be going away for two or three months yet, would be a very suitable opponent. It is felt that exhibition matches between the two would prove to be a great attraction.

Fanling suggests itself as the only course worth while, and it would be interesting to have Hagen's views upon it. It is regarded out here as being the finest golf course in the East, and Hagen would be able to tell us just how it compares with home and American courses.

The question of the guarantee is the first matter to be decided and it is to be hoped steps will be taken immediately with the view to seeing what can be done in this direction. It is very rare that a golfer of such standing as Hagen passes through and it would be a thousand pities if sufficient inducement was not forthcoming to prevail upon him to play.

## Second Best Golfer.

In a list of the world's ten best golfers compiled by Mr. George W. Greenwood at the beginning of the year Hagen was placed second to "Bobby" Jones. In the United States, Hagen is regarded as almost unbeatable. He exercises some mysterious influence over his opponents even in the case of such a player as "Bobby" Jones. He may play poorly himself, but the other fellow plays worse and he is never so dangerous as when he appears likely to be defeated.

## "HULA."

BREEZY STORY OF A SOUTH  
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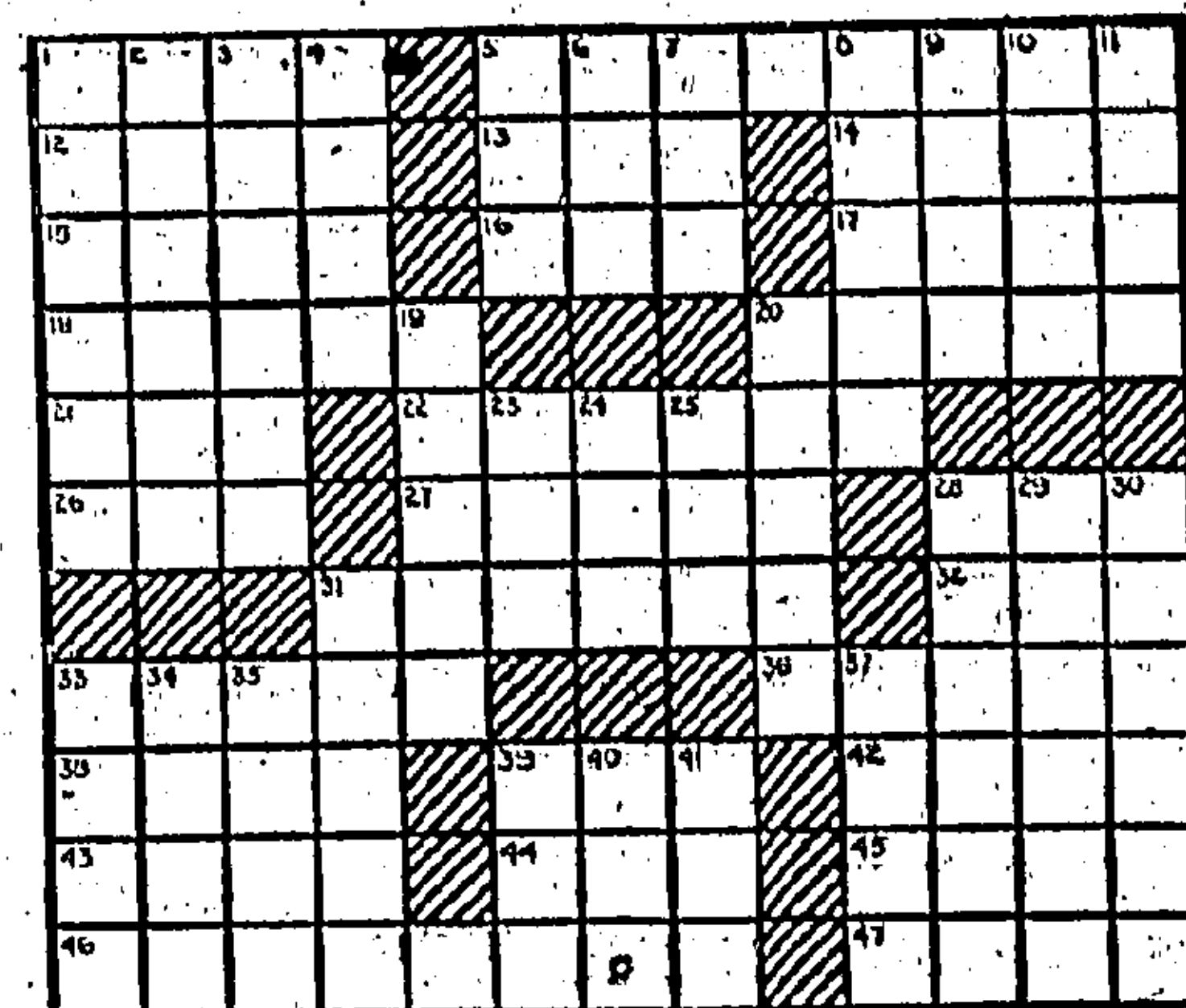
"Hula," which will be shown at the Queen's Theatre on Xmas Day and Boxing Day, brings the lovable madcap of the films, Clara Bow, back to the screen in her biggest picture since "It." The popular comedienne appears as a carefree miss who, on the eve of her sixteenth birthday, falls madly in love with a handsome young engineer, played by Clive Brook. Clara soon forces him to admit his love but at the same time she learns that he is a victim of an unhappy marriage. His wife, an unscrupulous fortune hunter, refuses to grant him a divorce. In addition to this, Clara finds that there is another woman attempting to win him away. How she emerges from all her difficulties provides Paramount's scintillating little star with plenty of opportunity for showing off her own particular talents. Unusual twists in the narrative give a peculiar charm to this breezy story which takes place against the beautiful settings of Hawaii. At the 0.20 performances, Signor Carpi's "Parisian Revue" will appear in a complete change of programme.

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## Winner of British Open.

Hagen has won the British Open on three occasions. His first success was in 1922 and two years later he won again. This year he secured the title for the third time, when it appeared he stood very little chance of doing so, for only a few days previously he was crushingly defeated by Archie Compston in a 72 hole match by 18 up and 17 to play. Hagen had then only just left the boat, and he happened to meet Compston at a time when the latter was right on top of his form. He tried his reputation, however, by winning the championship, being two strokes ahead of Sarazen and three better than Compston. Later, when Compston visited America he turned the tables in a challenge match.

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- 5 Insults.
- 12 Pain.
- 13 Female of the fallow deer.
- 14 Minute opening of the skin.
- 15 Restorative.
- 16 Type of moisture.
- 17 Always.
- 18 To reform one's morals.
- 20 Box made of wooden slats.
- 21 Beverage.
- 22 Portion of the iris which borders the pupil of the eye.
- 23 To finish.
- 27 Coronet.
- 28 Eagle.
- 31 Hammered thin.
- 32 Born.
- 33 Any of several flowering plants represented in ancient Egyptian art.
- 36 Green herbage affording food for cattle.
- 38 Eager.
- 39 To recede.
- 42 To leave out.
- 43 Twinge.
- 44 Falshood.
- 45 To give up.
- 46 Slumbering.
- 47 Coaster.

## Vertical

- 1 To annul.
- 2 Sagacity.
- 3 Twisted yarn.
- 4 Observed.
- 5 To total.
- 6 Enemy.

- 7 Not many.
- 8 Musical drama.
- 9 A new star.
- 10 An allowance of weight to purchasers for waste.
- 11 Withered.
- 12 Reckons chronologically.
- 13 Loud metallic sound.
- 14 Inlet.
- 15 To devour.
- 16 Native metal.
- 17 Type of glossy paint.
- 18 To sojourn.
- 19 Fitted in a graduated series.
- 20 To move as something heavy or inert.
- 21 One circuit around a race track (pl.).
- 22 Egg-shaped figure.
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- 26 Coal box.
- 27 To implore.

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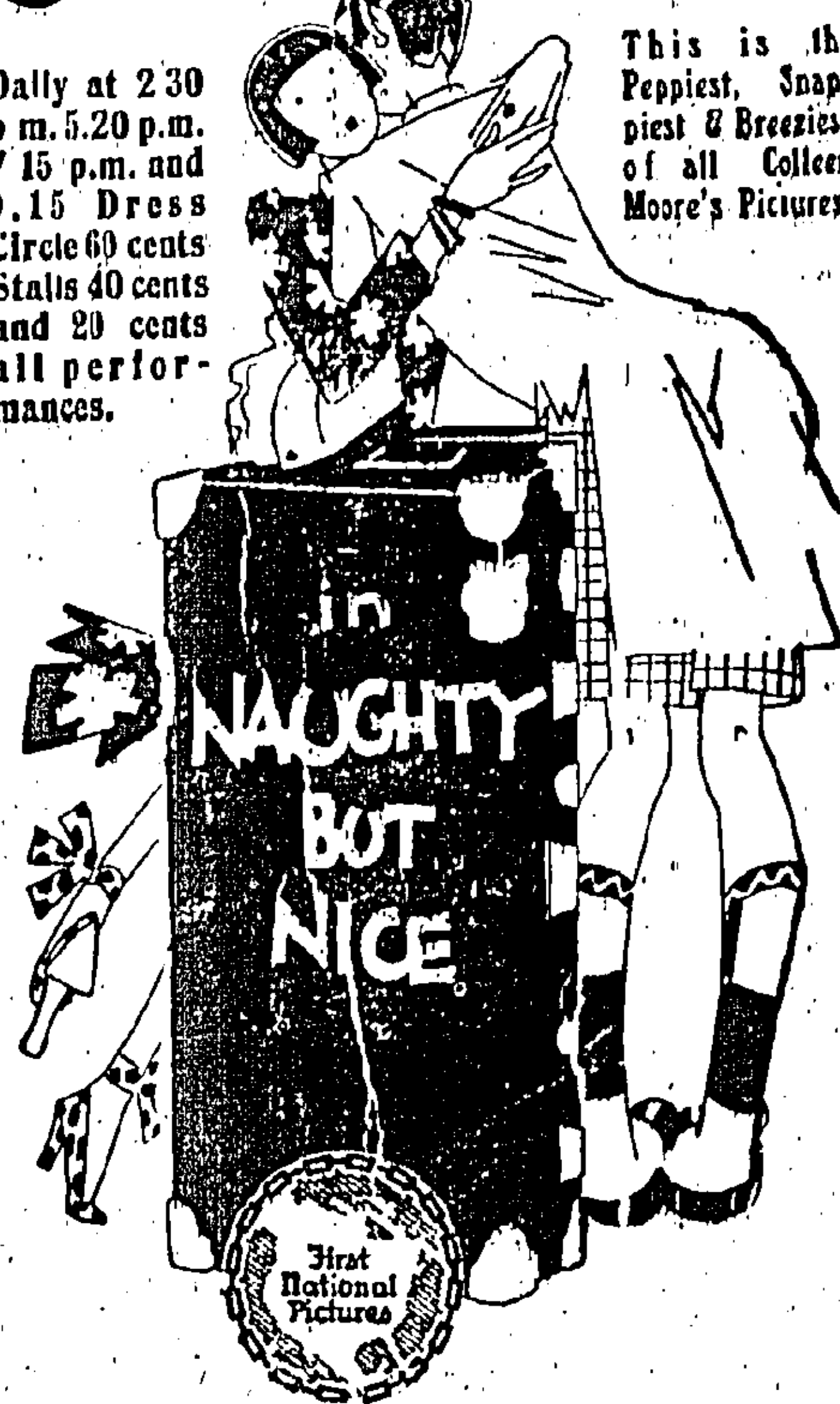
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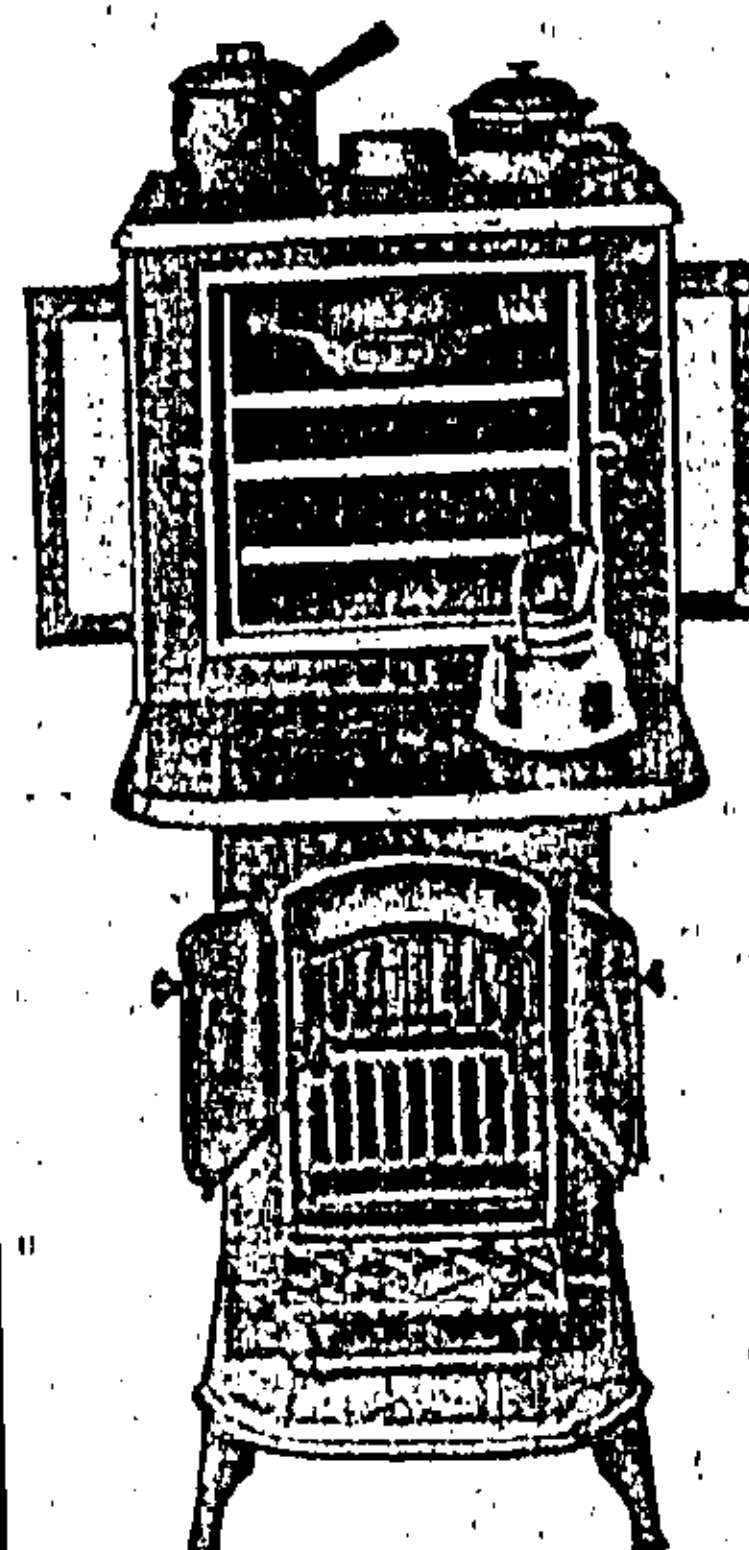
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**The  
Hongkong Telegraph.**

SATURDAY DEC. 22 1928.

### BRITISH TRADE.

In his review of national affairs in the House of Commons on Wednesday, Mr. Baldwin expressed the view that the country as a whole was prosperous, and that although the dawn of a trade revival had not matured, industry was alive and growing. Despite the large army of unemployed, happily showing some sign of decreasing according to the latest returns, there does appear some ground for thinking that trade conditions are slowly improving, although we cannot help thinking that Government spokesmen are too apt, when mentioning adverse circumstances still prevailing, to harp on the general strike of three years ago, as the Prime Minister did on this occasion. That piece of folly is best forgotten, and although its reactions cannot be overlooked, there is far too great a tendency to attribute all manner of subsequent depression to its effects.

A recent analysis of British trade conditions did well to lay stress on the point that whilst adequate importance should be attached to unfavourable factors, it is necessary that these should not be unduly magnified, but that a true perspective should be obtained of the position as a whole. Undoubtedly, says this review, considerable harm has been done in the past, both at home and abroad, by concentrating on the adverse features of the situation and, to a large extent, ignoring the more favourable ones. An example is to be found in the case of the cotton industry, which in the last few years has been passing through a very difficult period. Great prominence has been given to certain unfavourable aspects of

the industry and this emphasis has been allowed to influence the world's opinion of the industry as a whole, but as a recent article in the handbook of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce pointed out, there are several bright features in the situation which are not sufficiently realised. The growth of a taste throughout the world for finer goods is cited as an instance, and attention is directed to the fact that as Lancashire is mechanically better equipped than any other country, not only in spinning machinery, but also in weaving machinery and especially in every kind of finishing process, she is likely in due course to reap the benefit of this striking superiority in equipment. Nor are these conditions confined to the cotton industry, and it is worth recording that at the recent meeting of the British Association, Professor Allyn A. Young, of Harvard University, stated that "I know of no facts which prove or even indicate that British industry, seen against the background of its own problems and its own possibilities, is less efficiently organised or less ably directed than American industry or the industry of any other country."

Of special interest to the Far East are developments, in connexion with the cotton industry, and it is worth recording that in recent months co-operative efforts have been made by various British firms, representative of all sections of the industry, to ship certain descriptions of cloth to China at prices which will effectively meet foreign competition in that market. A considerable measure of success has attended the experiment and it is understood that steps are being taken to develop and extend its scope. Important schemes of amalgamation, designed to reduce overhead costs and to place the industry on a better basis, are also under discussion.

### Rubber Industry.

The comprehensive and considered review of the existing situation in the Malayan rubber industry, and the several helpful suggestions for the future, contained in Capt. W. G. A. Ormsby-Gore's report of his tour of the Far East, will undoubtedly arouse great interest, and no little controversy, among the planters of the F.M.S. The figures given in the House of Commons this week showing that the value of rubber exported to the United States from Malaya has dropped to £11,615,000 since the announcement of the abolition of restriction compared with £22,235,000 during the corresponding period of last year, clearly show the need for some form of stabilisation, and on this point Capt. Ormsby-Gore speaks with some authority. Every sympathy, he says, will be felt for the efforts of the rubber industry to organise itself as far as the marketing of their product goes. He expresses the opinion, however, that the present schemes of the planters are ill-devised, writing with assurance that Malaya cannot hope to reach an understanding by which the British and Dutch Governments will adopt identical measures to preserve the price of rubber at any set figure, and adding quite frankly that in his opinion the less Governments have to do with such stabilisation schemes the better. The fact is, and seemingly Malaya has not quite realised this, it is wrong economically that any industry should depend on official support. There can be no real future for the rubber industry if it is incapable of standing on its own feet, and Capt. Ormsby-Gore stresses the need for research as a means to this end. Restriction is a deterrent to real progress, and his arguments on this score can scarcely fail to impress. A suggestion which should meet with response or, at least, close consideration, in the Singapore area is concerned with the manufacture of rubber articles on a scale sufficient to capture the market in the Far East. Malaya has scarcely been considered in the past as a prospective industrial centre, but we see no reason why its commercial men should not investigate the possibility. Capt. Ormsby-Gore is evidently blessed with keen observation, and his "hollday" from his London headquarters seems to have been exceedingly well spent.

### DAY BY DAY.

**THE WOUNDED LIMB SHRINKS FROM THE SLIGHTEST TOUCH; AND A SLIGHT SHADOW ALARMS THE NERVOUS.**—Ovid.

Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd., forward us a handy desk calendar.

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A fancy dress dance is to be held at the U.S.R.C. on Christmas Eve.

The name of Mr. V. J. Atkins has been added to the list of authorised architects.

Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin and Mr. M. P. Talati have been nominated as members of the Court of the University of Hongkong for a further three years.

A bankruptcy notification states that a first dividend of 310 per cent. has been declared in the case of Fung Shu-kai, clerk, of 8a, Des Voeux Road Central.

### About Hong Kong

#### Do you know that—

The Central Market rights were originally farmed out.

It was, in June, 1842, that the market was formally opened, being then situated in Queen's Road, opposite the present building.

The rights were for some years held by a Chinese named Ah Foon.

The Government Gazette devotes thirteen pages to new survey rules, with fees, made under the Merchant Shipping Ordinance. They are to come into force on January 1st.

Seats may now be booked in advance for Signor Carpi's popular company "The Parisian Revue," which commences a brief engagement at the Queen's Theatre tomorrow at 9.20 p.m.

Yung Wong, a Cantonese P.C., was charged before Mr. R.E. Lindell this morning with misconduct. Appearing for Mr. C.A.S. Russ, Mr. Leo d'Almeida, S.M., applied for a remand, which was granted. Bail was fixed at \$250.

H.M.S. Suffolk left Nanking for Shanghai on Friday and the Sterling and Stormcloud left the latter port for Hongkong. The only other Naval movement on Friday was the Foxglove's departure from Chinwangtao for Weihaiwei.

It is notified that on and after 1st January, 1929, the Hongkong Coast Station Charge for radio-telegrams to river and local coast steamers will no longer be subject to the minimum charge for 10 words which has hitherto been collected.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has, under instructions from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, recognised Herr H. Gipperich as Acting Consul in Hongkong for Germany, temporarily in charge of the German Consulate.

Two lots of Crown land are to be sold at the P.W.D. offices on January 7th. They are New Kowloon Inland Lot 1196 (area about 1,160 square feet, upset price \$1,740) and New Kowloon Inland Lot 1197 (area about 5,400 square feet, upset price one dollar a foot).

"Pazil" starring Charles Farrell and Greta Nissen, which has drawn excellent houses at the Queen's Theatre during the week is being greened for the last time to-day. "The Magic Flame," at the World Theatre (6.15 and 9.20 only), and "The Flame of the Yukon," at the Star, are also having their final showings to-day.

The Offices of the Supreme Court will be open daily from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. during the Christmas Vacation, except on Public and General Holidays, when the offices will be entirely closed, and on Saturdays, when they will be open from 10 a.m. to noon. The Christmas Vacation commences on the 24th instant, and terminates on January 1st, 1929, (both days inclusive).

The health bulletin of Eastern ports for the week ending Saturday last, issued by the Director of Medical and Sanitary Services, contains the following cases, indicating deaths: Plague, Bombay (1), Colombo 2 (2), from Penh 1 (1), Baghdad 1, Cholera, Calcutta (27), Madras (6), Pondicherry (3), Bangkok 4 (4), from Penh 1 (1), Small-pox, Bherah 4 (8) Bombay 6 (2), Calcutta 4 (2), Madras 9, Moulsmein 1, Negapatnam 5 (2), Rangoon 1, Bolawan Deli 8 (1), Samarinda 8, Sourabaya 1, from Penh 8 (3), Shanghai (9), Canton 9, Baghdad 6 (6).

### THE FAMILY BOOKCASE.

Early Memories of Old-Time Books.

We did not call it a library. Few houses in that day were built with the idea of giving up a whole room to books. Nevertheless, our bookcase was most imposing. It stood against the inner wall of the parlour, and reached from floor to ceiling. It was crowned with a halo of sentiment. Mother had worked long and patiently to earn the money with which to purchase this massive piece of furniture, exchanging for the coin of the realm numerous pieces of eyelid embroidery, vases of wax flowers, and crayon heads, in all of which artistic work she was most accomplished.

My earliest memories of this huge antique were associated with frequent admonitions to avoid too close contact with it lest I walk into or through its glass doors. My interest in its contents did not awaken until my tenth year, and then my attitude might have been described as one of awe rather than curiosity. To be sure, I had been rocked in the cradle to Dickens, and soothed to sleep on Shakespeare—for Mother and Dad loved to read aloud—but inasmuch as most of Dad's books were bound in calf, they did not arouse in me at that time any desire for a more intimate acquaintance. I was content just to gaze at them from afar.

At this period I was re-reading in Sophie May's "Dotty Dimple" and "Little Prudy" series, and the "Quincebasset Girls," while Miss Alcott's stories were an ever increasing delight. Parenthetically, I am not ashamed to admit that I enjoy "Little Women," "Rose in Bloom," and "Old Fashioned Girl" as much to-day as when I first read them.

In the next year or two, my fondness for reading became quite apparent, and as a result the various members of the family began to suggest and advise and direct and caution. My anchor in all this book education, however, was Dad, and I found that he could be relied upon to speak without prejudice. He travelled a great deal, and on each trip gathered in considerable reading matter. He was hardly in the house before I pounced upon his grip and dug out the books. Those were the days of paper covers, and there was then no international copyright; hence some very good reading could be picked up in this form.

William Black was beginning to have a following. I still remember "Volande" and "The Monarch of Mingling Lane," the "Duchess" was popular if you wanted something light and airy and harmless; Augusta Evans Wilson was wielding a romantic but somewhat somber pen; E. P. Roe was much talked about, for his stories were clean and well written. The two Hardy's were making literature, although I never could remember which was which! Thackeray and George Eliot were very much in vogue.

When I reached the dignity of high school, I decided it was time to board the lion in the bookcase, although perhaps I should have said the calf! Strange as it may sound, I began at the bottom and climbed up, for the heavy leather tomes were on the lower shelves. In my fourteen-year-old enthusiasm, I not only outlined but followed up quite a reading course for myself, including Shakespeare in fifteen leather-bound volumes.

Among the leather volumes, also, were Scott's novels. Of course they had been added to my list. I often became so deeply absorbed in one of these books that I was oblivious to time and place. I remember one occasion when, just as I had reached a most exciting chapter in "Ivanhoe," was told in somewhat emphatic language that it was time to go to

bed. I started, hiding the book under my arm. In my room I undressed quickly, then lay down, gas down very low so that no light would show under the door. Holding the book close to the flame, I read for an hour or more. How could I have gone to sleep without knowing who won in the tournament.

Another memory of Scott at this time is connected with my high school work. I had been told to write a composition on "The Heroic Features in the Character of Quentin Durward." I rather suspect that the title was the heaviest part of the composition!

I had been introduced to Dickens at an early age, for Dad and Mother passed their enthusiasm on to me. Most of the characters were household names with them, so I knew Pickwick and Dora and Sam Weller and Peggotty long before I read the books. Fenimore Cooper had a conspicuous place in the middle group of Dad's shelves, and the Leatherstocking Tales were read with avidity.

Charles Reade and Anthony Trollope came in for much of my attention. Reade's "Griffith Gaunt" and "Put Yourself in His Place" made a lasting impression. I remember my appreciation of Trollope's well-written stories, although I can now recall little of their plots. Recently I read Trollope's Autobiography, and as a result feel inclined to reread several of his novels. Inasmuch as his favourite seems to be "The Three Clerks," I would begin with that and follow with "Framely Parsonage" and "Dr. Thorne."

By the time I had left my "teens" behind me, I was a fairly well-read individual. Dad was always my chief guide and mentor. He was often greatly amused at my comments and queries. Once I asked his permission to read "Cruden's Concordance"! On another occasion I wanted to know if Frodo's "Chronicles" were anything like the Bible! I was puzzled at times because Dad did not always agree with my teacher's estimate of certain literary lights. Dad was very fond of Byron, could quote "Childe Harold" by the page and defended his favourite against all comers; but in school I was instructed that Tennyson was a much superior poet. I compromised by selecting Scott as my favourite and learned many pages from "The Lady of the Lake."

This early association with books and the encouragement I received from father gave me the reading habit. I sometimes wonder if such counter-attractions as the radio and the automobile and the cinema, had they existed then, could have weaned me away from books.

A popular professor of English recently referred to the difference between the omnivorous reader and the carnivorous. The former reads everything, the latter reads the modern novel! Dad often accused me of being omnivorous in my tastes. I cannot, however, plead guilty to being carnivorous. Of course, I read many of the newer books, and have my favourites among the more modern literary stars; but no modern novel has ever given me quite the thrill that I obtained from my seventeen-year-old perusal of George Eliot's "Romola," of Charlotte Brontë's "Jane Eyre," of Thackeray's "Vanity Fair," and "Pendennis," of Miss Mulock's "John Halifax, Gentleman."

For me, Hugh Walpole has struck the right note in his essay on "Reading," where he says, "There is a kind of luxury of laziness in reading which is perhaps the best thing in all the world; it is to be captured only, I think, through the old books, books that you know so well that they step out and meet you."

G. L. M. in the Christian Science Monitor.

### CINEMA FARE FOR CHRISTMAS.

#### SOME EXCELLENT PICTURES TO BE SCREENED.

Several notable pictures are included in the special holiday programmes of the local theatres. Variety is the keynote and each film presents a popular star in a striking role.

#### Queen's Theatre.

To-morrow and Monday at the Queen's Theatre, "Rose Marie," a thrilling story of romance, based upon the famous musical comedy success, will be screened. Joan Crawford is the heroine and is supported by House Peters, James Murray and many others. "Hula," a fascinating story of Hawaii, will be the feature film on Xmas Day and Boxing Day. The chief attraction from Thursday to Saturday is "The Divine Woman," a sensational story of a woman of im-

pulse, starring Greta Garbo and Lars Hanson. During the week, at the 9.20 performances, Signor Carpi's "Parisian Revue" will appear.

#### World Theatre.

Gloria Swanson will be seen in "Stage Struck" at the 5.15 and 9.20 performances at the World Theatre to-morrow and Monday. At 2.30 and 7.15, the Chinese picture "Nemesis" will be shown. On Xmas and Boxing Days, Syd Chaplin's famous war comedy "The Better Ole" will hold the bill, while the chief attraction from Thursday to Saturday will be "Seventh Heaven," starring Janet Gaynor and Charles Farrell.

#### Star Theatre.

The following pictures have been secured for the Star Theatre. To-morrow and Monday, Richard Dix in "The Quarterback," Xmas Day and Boxing Day, Harold Lloyd's great comedy "Hot Water," Thursday to Saturday, a delightful story of modern night life in Paris, "Paris At Midnight," with a splendid cast of players headed by Lionel Barrymore, Jettie Goudal, Mary Brian and Edmond Burns.



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receive photographs of  
interest, for reproduction  
in this Supplement.



The Army football team with Lai Wah Cup and presentation miniatures, after the match played at Happy Valley on Saturday, in which the Army defeated the Chinese by four goals to nil. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



Lady Chow presenting the prizes at the Chinese Recreation Club last Sunday, after the Mixed Doubles Championship had been won by Mr. W. M. Lo and Miss Enid Lo. (Photo: Ming Yuen).

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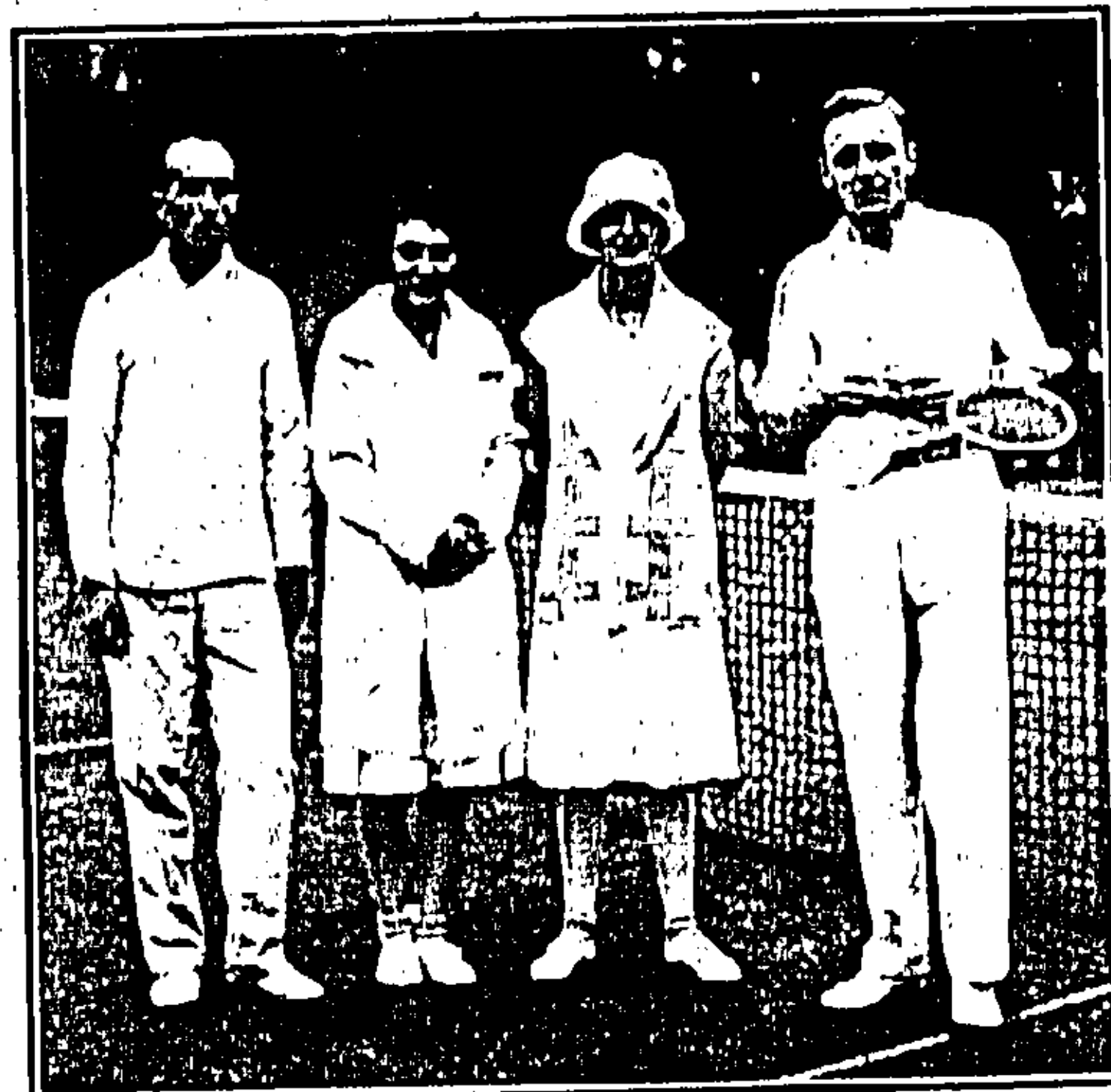
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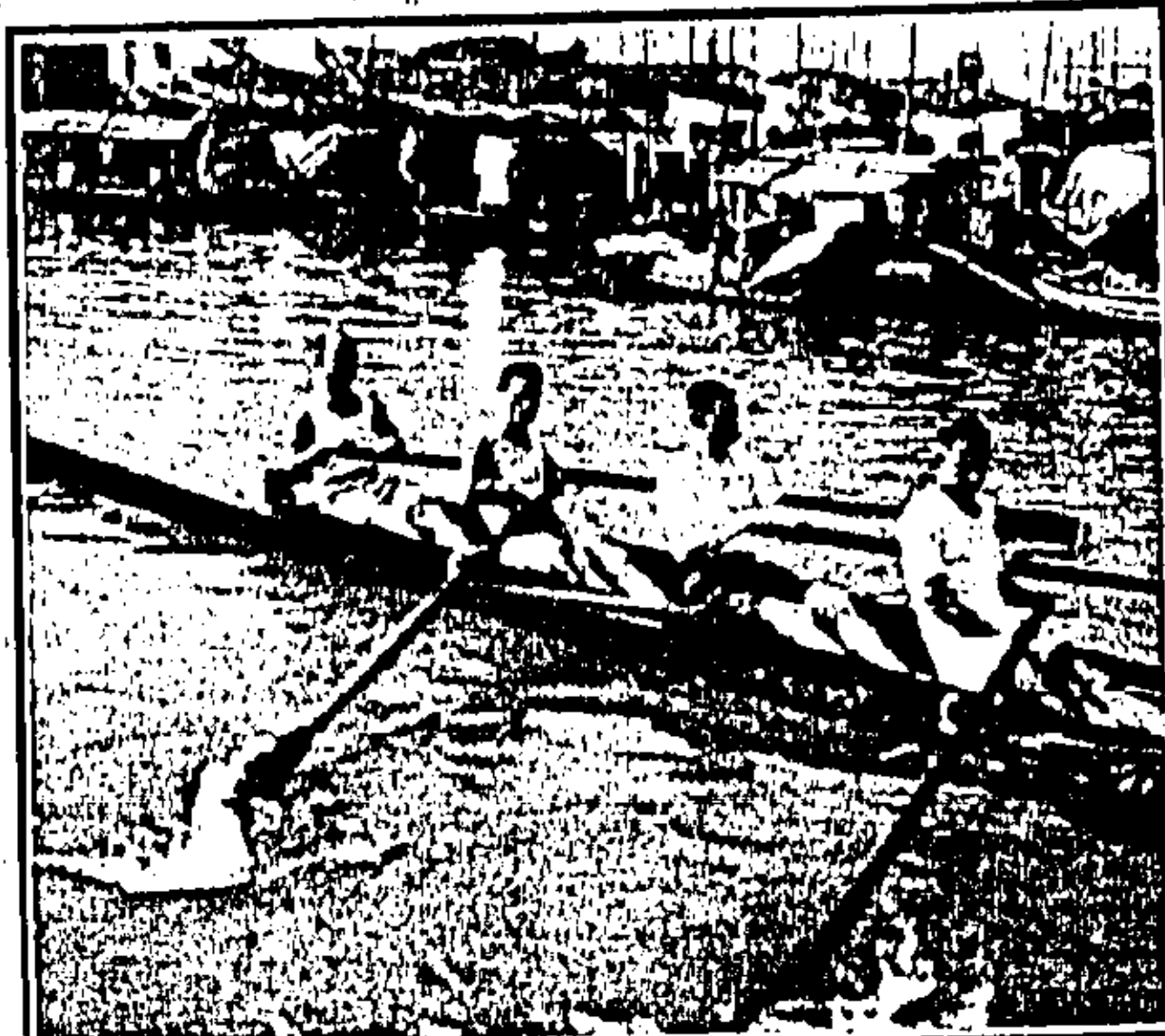
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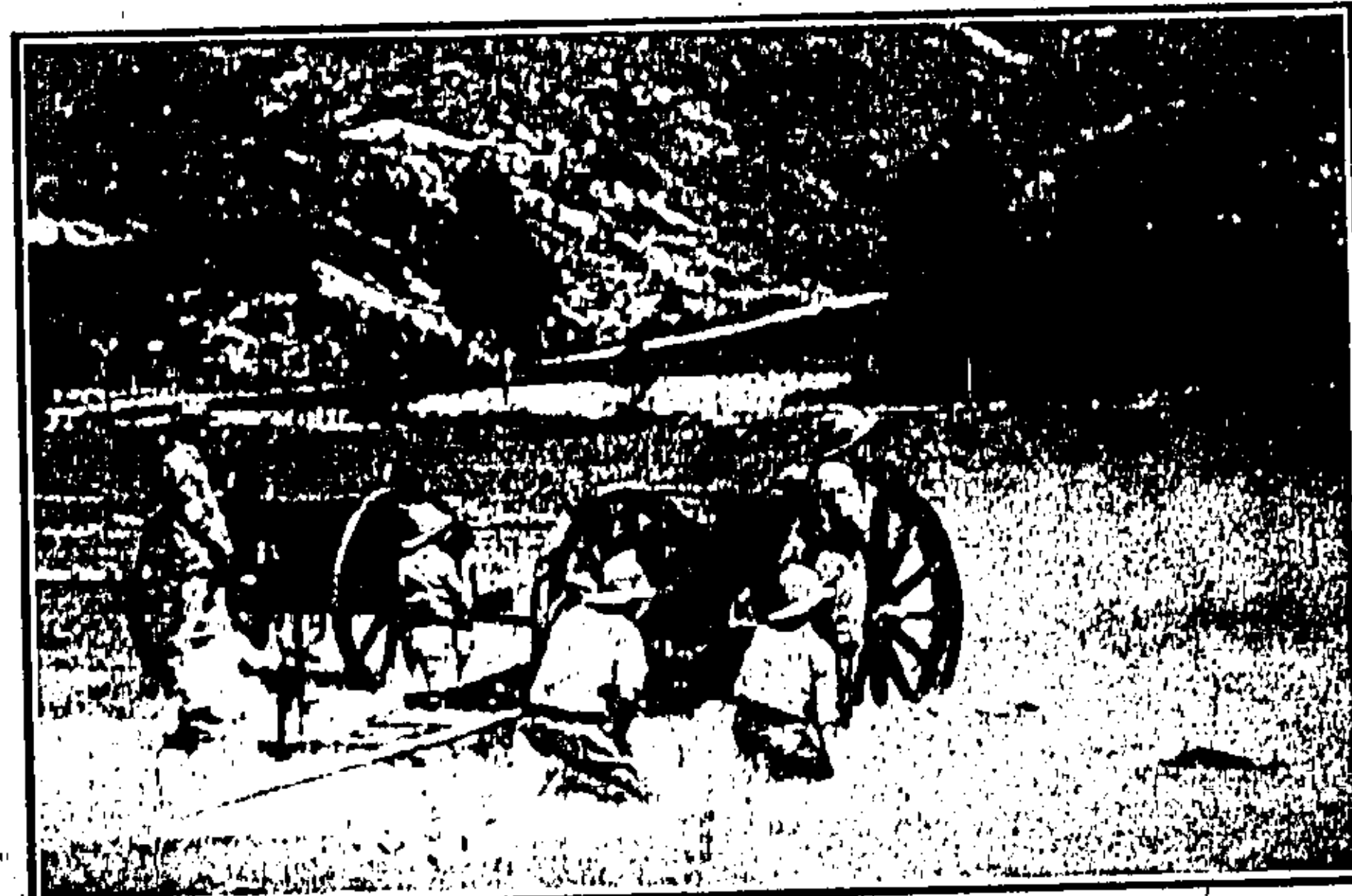
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At left, Mr. M. W. Lo and Miss Lo, who beat Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Tottenham (at right) in the Mixed Doubles Championship of the Colony at the Chinese Recreation Club last Sunday. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



Keen practising is going on in Canton for the Regatta which is to be held on January 19th.



The Artillery Battery of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps carried out gun practice in the New Territories last Sunday. (Photo: Ming Yuen).

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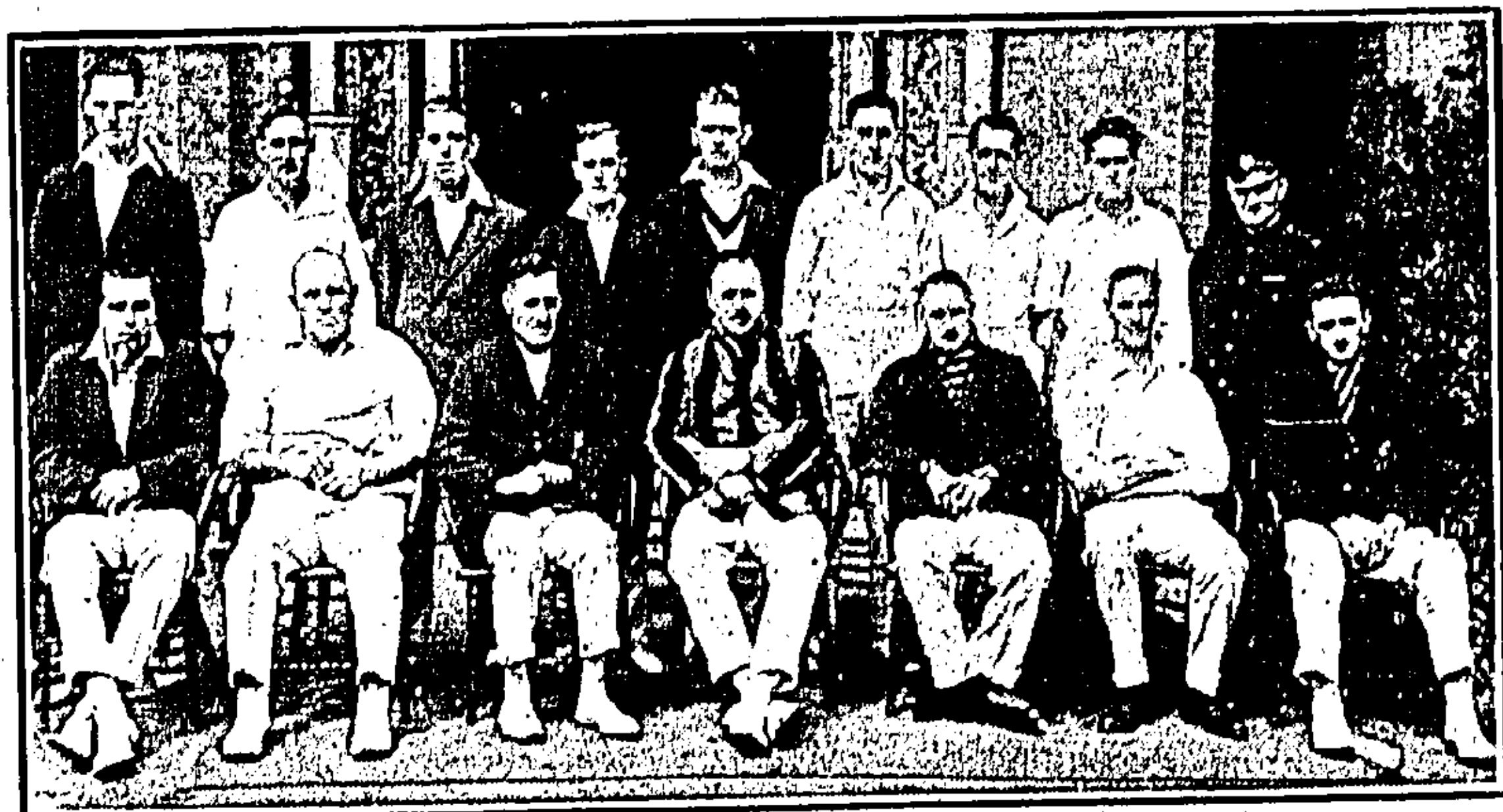
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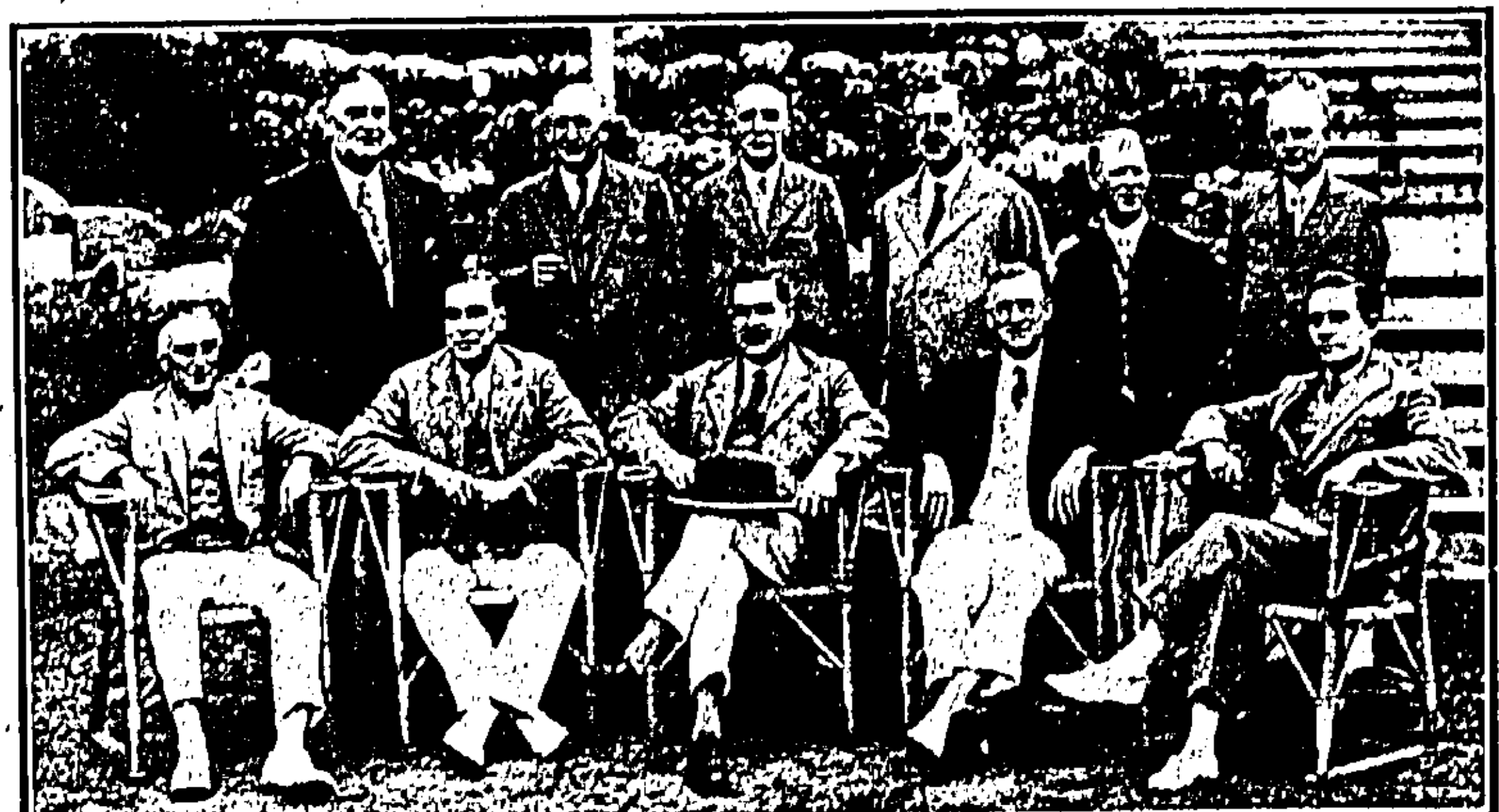
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The Shanghai Municipal Police cricket team, winners of the 1928 Cricket League, are shown above. Top row, left to right:—Sergt. H. A. G. Ford, Sub-Inspector T. F. H. Robinson, P.C. T. H. Davill, Warder A. V. Read, Sub-Inspector F. J. Carnell, Det. Sgt. A. C. Barton, P.C. M. J. Williams, P.C. Taylor, Inspector J. A. Adams. Bottom, left to right:—Sub-Inspector Isaacs, Det. Inspector Quayle, Asst. Commissioner of Police Wainwright, Capt. E. I. M. Barrett, Asst. Commissioner of Police Baker, Asst. Commissioner of Police Young, Det. Sergt. Gash.



A group of the Infantry Company of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, photographed at the recent camp held at Fanling. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



Group photograph of the General Committee of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club taken on the occasion of the Closing Day on Saturday last. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



An archway of swords was formed by officers attending the wedding of Lieut. Kenneth W. Beard, of H.M.S. Tamar, and Miss Peggy Bird, which took place at St. John's Cathedral on Tuesday. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



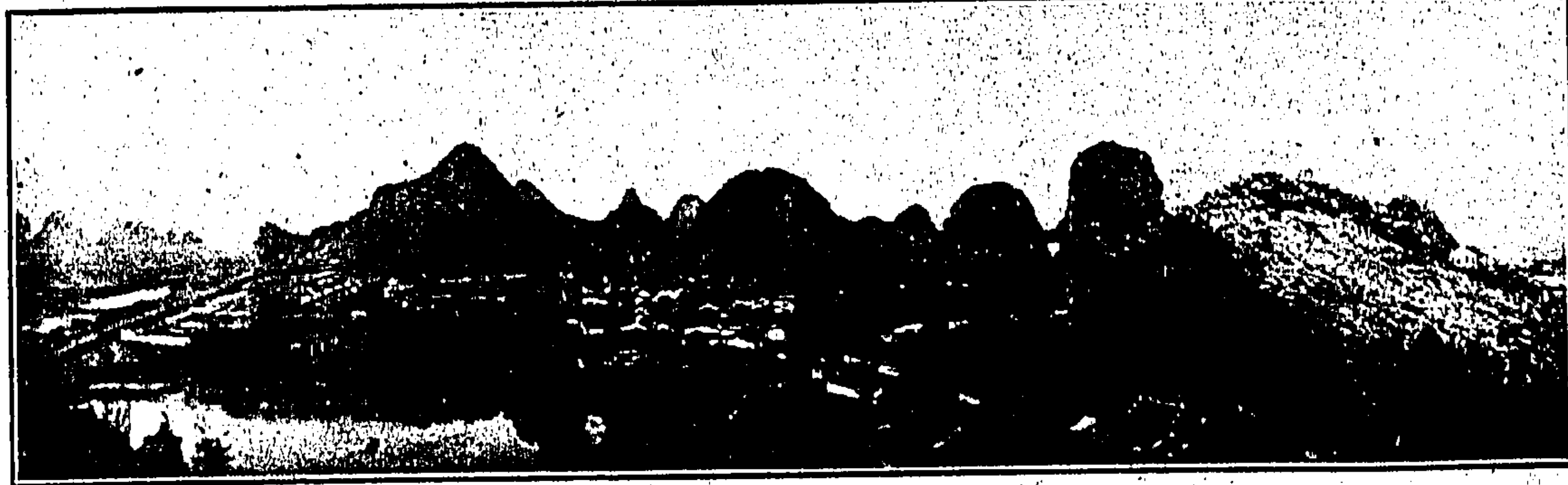
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## PICTURESUE KWANGSI.



A section of Kwangsi, Kwangsi Province. At the left of the picture may be seen the prison which is a copy of Billibid Prison of Manila. The guards are stationed in a circular building in the centre from which they look out over the prison grounds and the various buildings built around the centre "tower." Trades and occupations of varied sorts are taught the prisoners. Buildings on the hill to the right were once pleasure pavilions of a former Governor, where he entertained guests at sumptuous feasts.

THE GREATNESS OF  
PADEREWSKI.

## GENIUS AND PATRIOT.

[By Archibald Henderson.]

New York.

A great concert hall, thronged to the ceiling. Upon an empty stage the outlines of a grand piano are faintly visible; the lights are dimmed. Behind the instrument the black velvet curtains part, and a strange and majestic figure appears. The splendid torso, the heroic head with its tawny aureole, the regal air and bearing, might belong to a king and conqueror. The eyes are the eyes of a poet; the frenzy of applause dies to a breathless hush; the world stops; space and time cease to exist, and the universe of music is the only reality.

The scene changes. Warsaw, on the Vistula, is athrob with mad excitement. The sun strikes fire from towering spires and golden domes, and throws into high relief the statue of Copernicus. The streets, the Jerusalem Allee of the Nowy Swiat, are thronged with people, awaiting the coming of the liberator.

A genius who has sacrificed his art, abandoned his career, surrounded his fortune, struggled with the night at Paris, wrought for them the miracle of liberty is at hand. A people of glorious history, who have suffered the martyrdom of alien domination for a century and a half, wild with joy.

## Wrought Miracle of Liberty.

From peasant to premier is a mighty stride. Yet the pages of history are rich in romances of the rise from the ranks of the humble to the seats of this mighty. Ambition surmounts all obstacles; there are no bars to greatness. But Paderewski has written a new page in world history. It is not the romance of successful ambition, not the attainment of the goal of a lifetime's striving. Paderewski's romance is a tale the world has not heard before. The great musician, standing in middle age at the summit of his art, undergoes a transformation, so revolutionary as to baffle a world credulity.

In 1877, the lad of 17 fared forth upon a concert tour which seemed to spell irretrievable failure. Neither money nor fame crowned the early efforts of the young musician, handicapped with "stubby fingers" and innocent of apprenticeship to any great teacher of music.

## Mastery at Last.

At the age of 18, then, Paderewski secured an appointment as professor of music at the conservatory in Warsaw. For five years he suffered torments of starved aspiration and thwarted ambition—taught when he should have been studying; married, only to lose his wife within a year.

Finally, in despair, the pedagogue turned pupil; studied madly for two years under the great Leschitzky in Vienna, and, practicing 18 hours a day, achieved at last complete mastery of the piano.

Triumph succeeded triumph.

The capitals of the world—Vienna, Berlin, Paris, London, New York—resounded with his praises. No pianist since the days of Liszt has created such popular furor or won such personal triumphs in universal acclaim. Paderewski's supremacy was undeniable and virtually unchallenged. To his virtuosity as an executant, his mastery of rhythm



Ignacy Paderewski

and tone, was added a second and won as a composer. In the musician, unsuspected by the world and perhaps unknown to Paderewski himself, was concealed an orator of passion and power. Paderewski, the great musician, of the period from 1891 to 1914 was unsurpassed in poetic rendition and individual tone. In Paderewski rules a double genius—at once creative and inter-

pretative. A symphony, a concerto, piano pieces, songs, fruits of his creative genius, have been ranked among the best written by his contemporaries. His opera has been pronounced by Henry T. Finck as "the most inspired dramatic work since 'Carmen' except 'Parsifal'." As a pianist he is destined to rank in musical history with Liszt and Rubenstein. As musician, composer and creative artist combined it would be difficult to find a parallel.

When the World War came, Paderewski was a being transformed. His insight was unerring, his political acumen infallible. For a Poland divided three ways—between Austria, Germany and Russia—freedom seemed to many utterly chimerical and fantastic, the hazy fabric of a dream.

Paderewski divined with an astuteness amounting to political genius, the only clear chance for freedom offered in his lifetime. In the victories of the Allies lay the opportunity for Poland to become once again an autonomous State.

## Closed His Piano.

Paderewski closed his piano and for five years it remained unopened. The Polish commoner who had, subjugated the world as a musician now flung himself with unrestrained ardour and strenuous energy into the colossal task of world organization of his fellow countrymen.

Letters, ciphers, secret emissaries were dispatched by Paderewski from his estate, Morges, near Vevey, on Lake Geneva, in Switzerland. By January, 1915, he had

launched the "General Polish Relief Committee," from Switzerland; organized a second branch in Paris; a third in London.

Next he sailed for the United States, in April, 1915, and by his magical influence inspired a passion of enthusiasm among the Poles in America. Although Washington declined his offer of a Polish corps, 220,000 Poles were called to military service under the Stars and Stripes.

It was through his intimate association with Colonel House and his contact with President Wilson that the liberation of Poland came to be recognized as one of the war aims of the Allies. One of the famous "Fourteen Points" enunciated by President Wilson on January 8, 1918, was Point XIII:

"An independent Polish State should be erected which should include the territories inhabited by indisputably Polish populations, which should be assured a free and secure access to the sea, and whose political and economic independence should be guaranteed by international consent."

## Calm Under Fire.

Following the armistice, Pilsudski formed a government in Poland and established himself as dictator. Pilsudski's government, composed almost exclusively of Socialists, was not representative of the people, and Paderewski proposed to Pilsudski the establishment of a coalition cabinet.

With the aid of the British government he proceeded to Poland, via Danzig. He was in extreme peril; at Posen, a city held by Germany, the windows of his hotel "com" were shot out by machine guns.

"I begged Paderewski," says Pilsudski, "to come out of the room at once. Instead, he sat on the edge of the bed and began to pull, on his clothes, paying small heed to the whizzing spray of steel that dug into the walls only a little above his head, and none at all to my frantic appeals. With bullets pouring past to right and left, he stood there before the mirror and tied his tie!"

His courage had its reward in an enthusiastic welcome by the inhabitants of this predominantly Polish city, and as the result of his inspiring presence the Province of Posen within a week was in Polish control.

## His Great Oratory.

A hundred thousand madly excited Poles greeted Paderewski at Warsaw, and Cracow, with open arms.

Negotiations between Paderewski and Pilsudski in behalf of a coalition government and a reunited

Poland were greatly aided by the presence in Warsaw of the American Food Mission.

In a great speech at this crucial period—which, Vernon Kellogg calls "one of the most eloquent and effective speeches I have ever heard"—Paderewski called on the people of Poland to hold closely together, to work to the common good and to adjure violence in their efforts to secure a truly representative government.

It was a speech which breathed the purest patriotism and reveals Paderewski in all his greatness. A coalition was formed, representative of the three divisions of Poland, and Paderewski was chosen Prime Minister, with authority to proceed to Paris to act as spokesman for his government. We must forget Paderewski as a great piano player, said a distinguished American; and remember him as a statesman, an orator and a patriot.

HONGKONG MEMORIALS.  
DIED ON CHINA COAST.

Among the naval and military memorials which stand in the Cemetery at Happy Valley is the above simple wreathed cross commemorating the memory of Officers, Seamen and Marines of H.M.S. Immortalite who died on the China Coast between March and August 1871.

Compared with others to which it is near it is in a good state of preservation and among the facts recorded upon it is that some of the Officers and men in whose memory it was erected lie buried at Shanghai and Chefoo.

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**T**HIS is to be a winter of polite gentleness in costuming. From the boudoir to the ballroom, graceful, pliable materials are the choice of the woman of taste.

Velvet and fur are especially popular this season, as are satins, soft laces and woollens.

Colours are in keeping with the soft modes, the pastel shades of deeper tone being much in vogue. Petunia, morning glory and fuchsia vie with beige and Algerian brown and with gorgeous reds and blues.

Jean Patou takes panne velvet in a new rich blue to give swaying side panels to the little blue felt hat at the top of the page. Its cut is tremendously graceful and becoming. By the joining of intricately shaped portions, this little hat fits the head snugly and yet has its sides droop well over the ears while its back line hugs the neck and the front portion off one side of the forehead in the approved manner.

Vionnet chooses rayon velvet for the smart new evening wrap at the lower right. This is designed to top the irregular hem-lined evening gown. This transparent rayon velvet is of the richest royal purple hue, lined with a lovely rose. Its diamond-shaped yoke from which pointed godets fall is a new note in hiplines.

The front is shorter, but still of somewhat longer line than the summer called for. Rich ermine collars it and long scarf ends of the velvet are joined to the collar in flat bows.

**F**OR sumptuous winter boudoir wear, transparent velvet and mousseline de soie, in coral pink, join hands in the new pajama suit at the lower left. The long, flaring coat is new, and so is its chenille trimming that works out a gleaming, colourful design around its fronts, its pockets, armholes and across a back yoke.

Quite as new is the Eton collar, jabot and frilled cuffs of the matching mousseline de soie blouse. It tucks in, in the new way, too.

New for its colour, which is bright red, and for its cut and decoration is the lace evening gown at the upper right. Its red proves the good taste women of vivid personality have in choosing this tone. For it is that clear, enhancing red that sets off the brunette to equal advantage.

An entirely new note in stiffness is the bouffant effect achieved on one side by ruffled tiers of the lace, with the edges backed by horseshair braid to give them jauntness. The other two-thirds of the skirt is very full, long and circular. Here we see the new swaying hemline that dips on one side as well as in the back.

The bodice of this gown is fitted, with a heart-shaped décolletage in front and one of the very low

cuts in the rear. A wide band of velvet ribbon tucks under the first tier on one side and girdles the waistline, ending in a bow with streamers in the back.

**N**O single garment this winter will illustrate the changing modes and the trend towards extreme softness and femininity as well as the little runabout frock.

Individuality of style, gracefulness and softness of texture must be characteristics of any little runabout frock that meets the approval of Milady these days.

Such a little frock is shown at the top centre. It is a new petunia soft worsted frock, with semblings, bandings and edgings of the softest of gleaming satin in a beige tone.

This frock's lines are superb. The gored skirt fits smartly like a princess garment over the hips, while the girlish-looking blouse has some fullness above the waistline.

The collar is a modified little sailor collar, with rectangular ends hanging. One stripe of the beige runs down the front, around the snug cuffs and full skirt at hemline.

The little hat that tops this is the last word in Parisian headgear, a Marcelle Lely creation. It is petunia-coloured felt, with a little visor effect of matching velvet and a velvet touch in its jaunty little bow.

**T**HOUGH the styles mentioned so far are single garments or hats, the ensemble still sways the world with its popularity. Here, too, we find furs, soft fabrics and gorgeous lines.

Jenny—a marvel when it comes to making youthful modes—uses black satin cloth for the very young looking ensemble at the upper left. This has summer ermine for its trim.

This afternoon ensemble has a semi-princess frock of beige, the colour of summer ermine, with its two-tiered skirt edged in black and black incrustations decorating it.

The coat reverses the order and is black, lined and decorated in beige. An original jabot movement in front is piped with summer ermine, the first time such lavish fur is used so subordinately. Then summer ermine fashions a little light scarf that ties in a bowknot under one ear.

There is originality, too, in the huge cuffs of summer ermine which dress up this ensemble and make of it a very formal little thing.

The swaying back hemline also suggests the formality of occasion to which it properly could be worn.

A very soft brimmed little hat of black fine velours tops this costume, accenting by its simplicity the dressiness of the ensemble.



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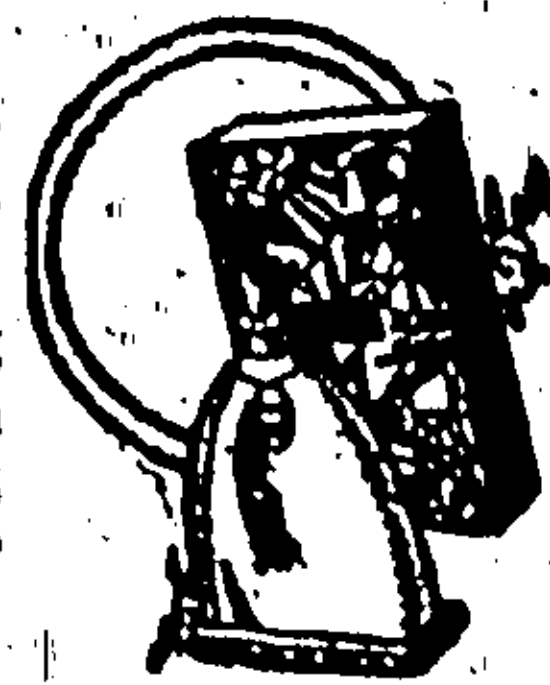
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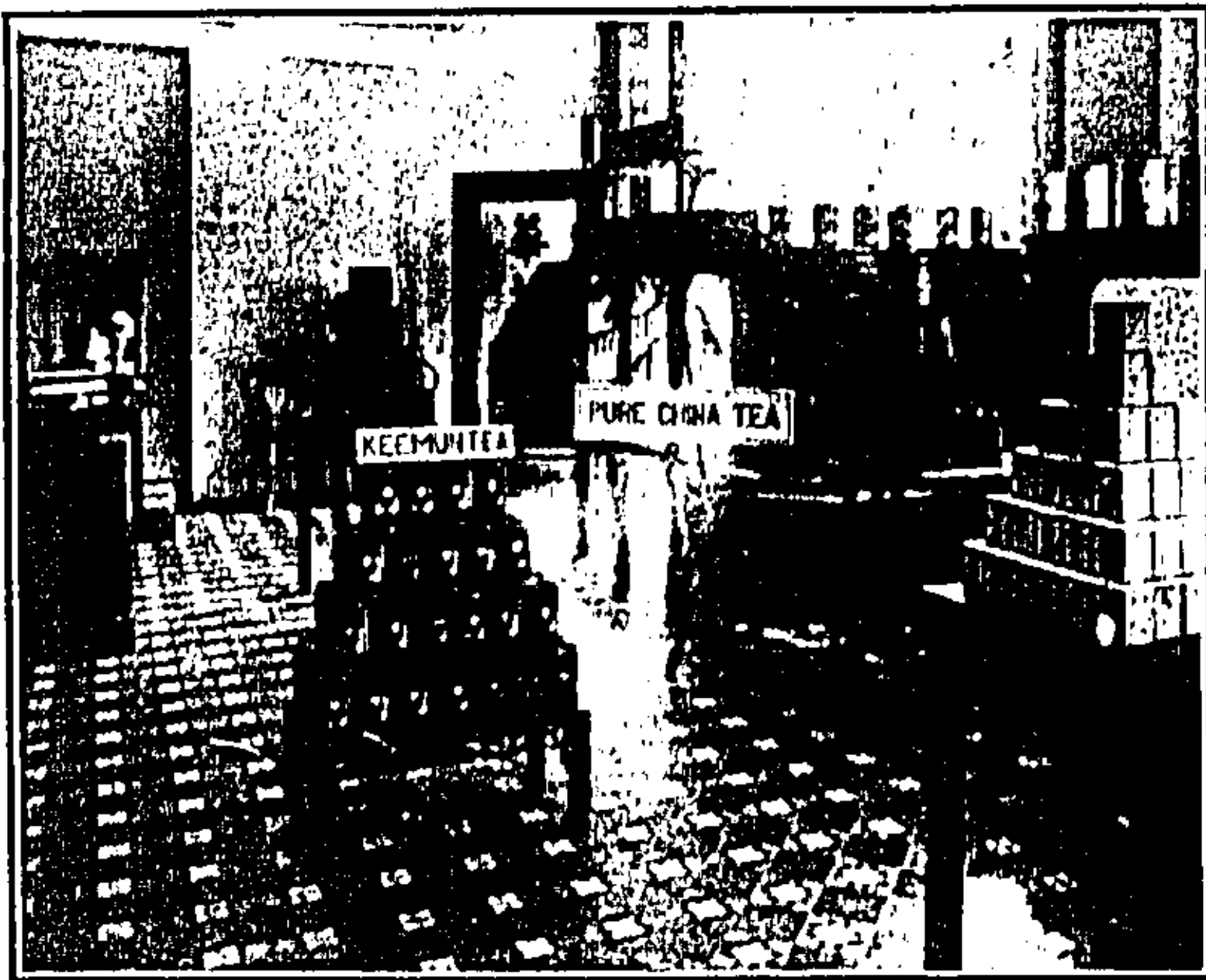
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The local volley ball championship was won this year  
by the above team of the South China Athletic Association.  
(Photo: Mee Cheung).



The basket ball teams of the Hongkong and China Gas Company staff, photographed on their  
playing ground at the gas works. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



The children of the Peak School held their annual Christmas fancy dress party on Tuesday, when the above photograph was  
taken. Some very dainty costumes were seen. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



Lieut. Kenneth Beard, of H.M.S. Tamar, and Miss Margaret (Peggy)  
Bird, who were married at St. John's Cathedral on Wednesday. (Photo:  
Ming Yuen).



Bluejackets and men of the R.A.F. pulling the motor car  
to Volunteer Headquarters after the wedding of Lieut. K.  
Beard and Miss Peggy Bird on Tuesday. (Photo: Mee  
Cheung).



His Majesty the King,  
standing bareheaded in the  
rain at the Cenotaph on  
Armistice Day.



First photograph to reach Hongkong of the crowd outside Buckingham Palace, anxious-  
ly awaiting the latest news of the King.



Some of the members of the Canton Masonic Club, who were recently photographed in the  
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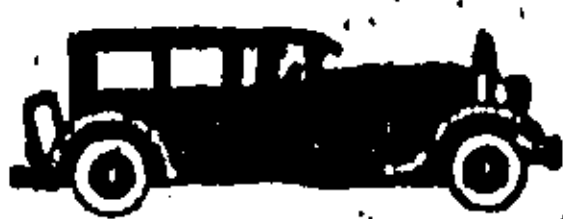
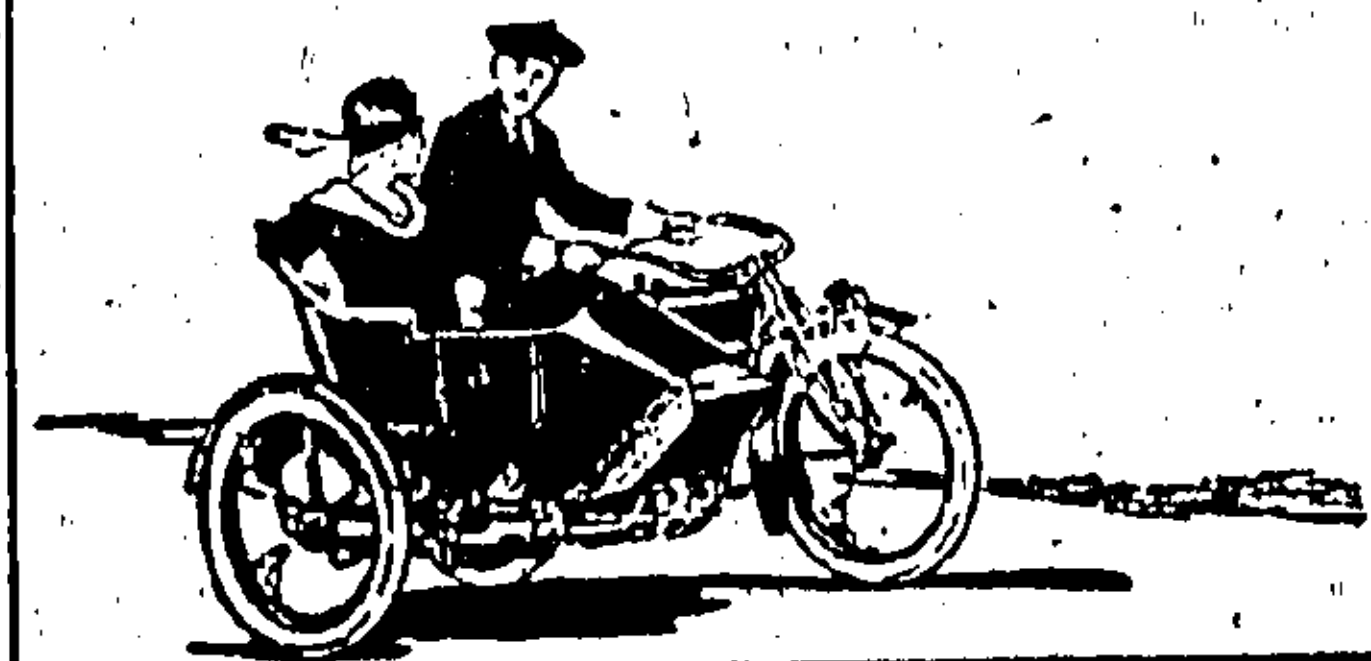
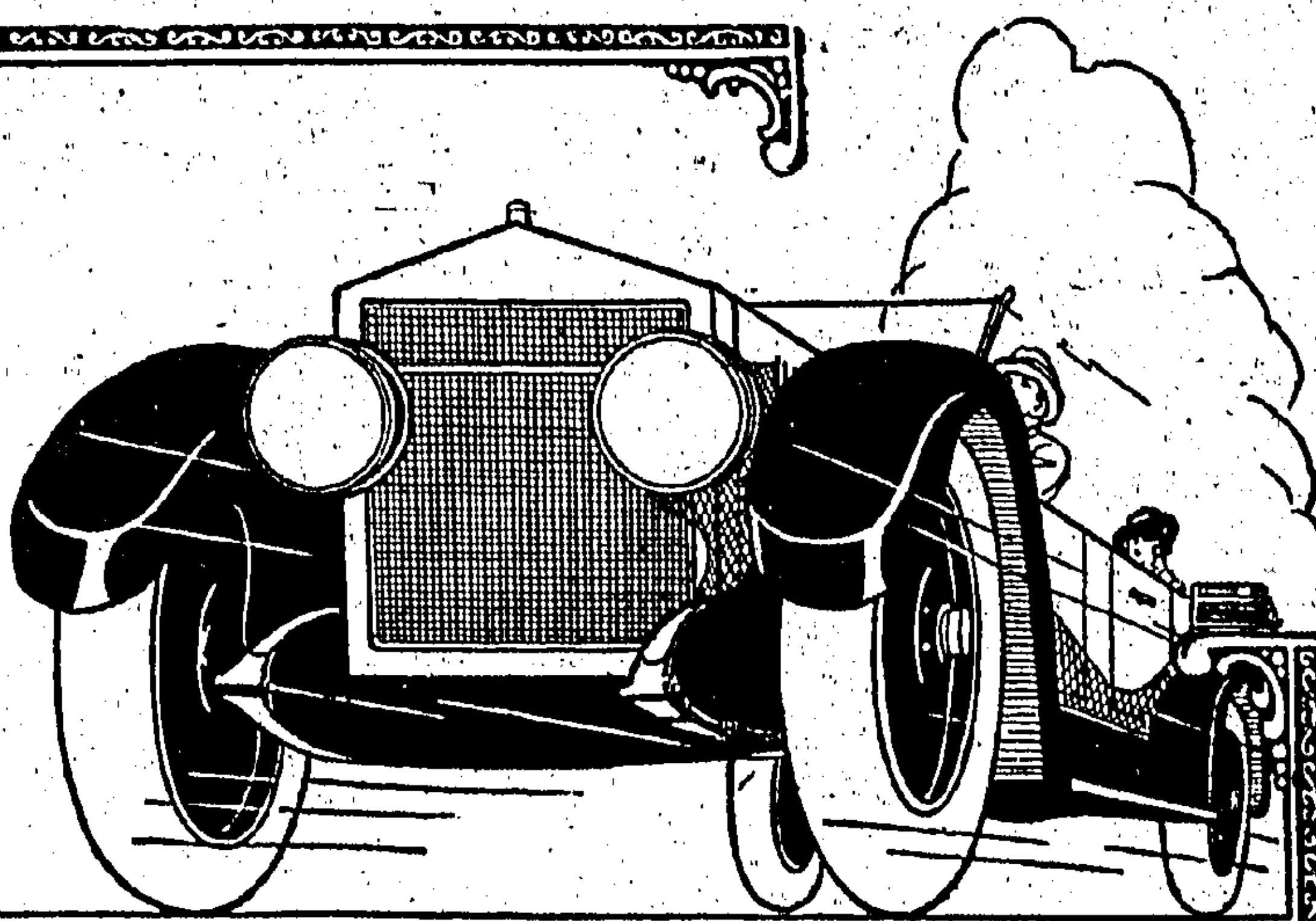


The Hung Kui football team, a newcomer to the ranks  
of the "soccer" game in Hongkong. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



# MOTORING SUPPLEMENT

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## CURRENT COMMENT

### The Dinner Dance.

Owing to early printing of the Motor Supplement, we were unable to refer last Saturday to the very successful dinner dance held by the Hongkong Automobile Association at the Peninsula Hotel. Over 350 members and guests attended—a record number since these functions were inaugurated.

### Valuable Co-Operation.

The President of the Association, Mr. P. M. Hodgson, made happy reference to the co-operation and friendliness which exists between the H.K.A.A. and the Traffic Department. Mr. Hodgson has always taken the keenest interest in the Organisation, having for several years been most actively associated with it as Honorary Secretary. Very few motorists realise the amount of work which is silently carried out in their interests, the shoulders of which fall upon the shoulders of the Honorary Secretary. That sympathetic relations exist between the Association and the Traffic and other Government Departments is a matter for the utmost gratification, as is also the knowledge that the successor to Mr. Hodgson, the Rev. G. E. S. Upsdell, is no less energetic and enthusiastic in his work. As a matter of fact, since his tenure of office, the membership has greatly increased, and with it the secretarial work has grown considerably. Voluntary work can be quite a thankless task, but the reward is surely in the evidence of the popularity and usefulness of the Association.

### Difficult.

It is difficult to understand the attitude of the County Court Judge who recently made the astounding assertion that a man with £500 a year cannot afford to maintain a car, and the further statement that not one in ten of the community can afford the vehicles they run. It is unlikely that a serious proportion of Home motorists will sell their cars on the strength of the learned judge's opinion. The thinking citizen is more likely to be concerned with the question of whether the expensive legal machinery of the present day cannot be reduced in cost in order to lower taxation and so leave more money for simple pleasures.

### Long Past.

The day is long past when the car had to be regarded as an extravagance, in fact, as far as the Home Country is concerned, it is not too much to say that the possession of a car is a positive economy, permitting as it does the saving of bus and railway fares.

### In Hongkong.

While a car may be considered a source of pleasure out here in Hongkong, it is nevertheless more or less of a necessity. During the summer months, when bathing parties are in full swing, those who proceed to the various beaches by road, and the majority do so, require motor car transportation, and there is no question but what a privately owned vehicle is more economical, and allows far greater independence than hiring cars.

### Cost Not High.

Then there is the question of the outlay involved in purchasing a car. The wonderful strides in the industry have resulted in reducing prices of cars tremendously, and there are several excellent makes which can be purchased for about \$2,000, or even less. For those who are content with a second-hand car, bargains are always available, and usually at most attractive prices. The matter of health has also to be considered, and it must be conceded that motoring is one of the most healthy and invigorating pastimes. Neither at Home, nor anywhere else in the world, can motoring now be termed a luxury, and this extraordinary assertion of the judge mentioned above, will not be taken seriously by anybody. The only value of his utterance lies in providing a subject for motoring correspondents. From this limited section of the community the learned gentleman undoubtedly earned gratitude.

### For Christmas.

Some of the leading motorists are emphasising the desirability of giving a car as a Christmas gift, and we imagine that there will be no greater delight registered on Christmas Morning than from those who receive such presents. We imagine that excessive horn-blowing outside the residence of a recipient of a motor car, would be pardoned for once!

## THE INFANTS' CLASS.

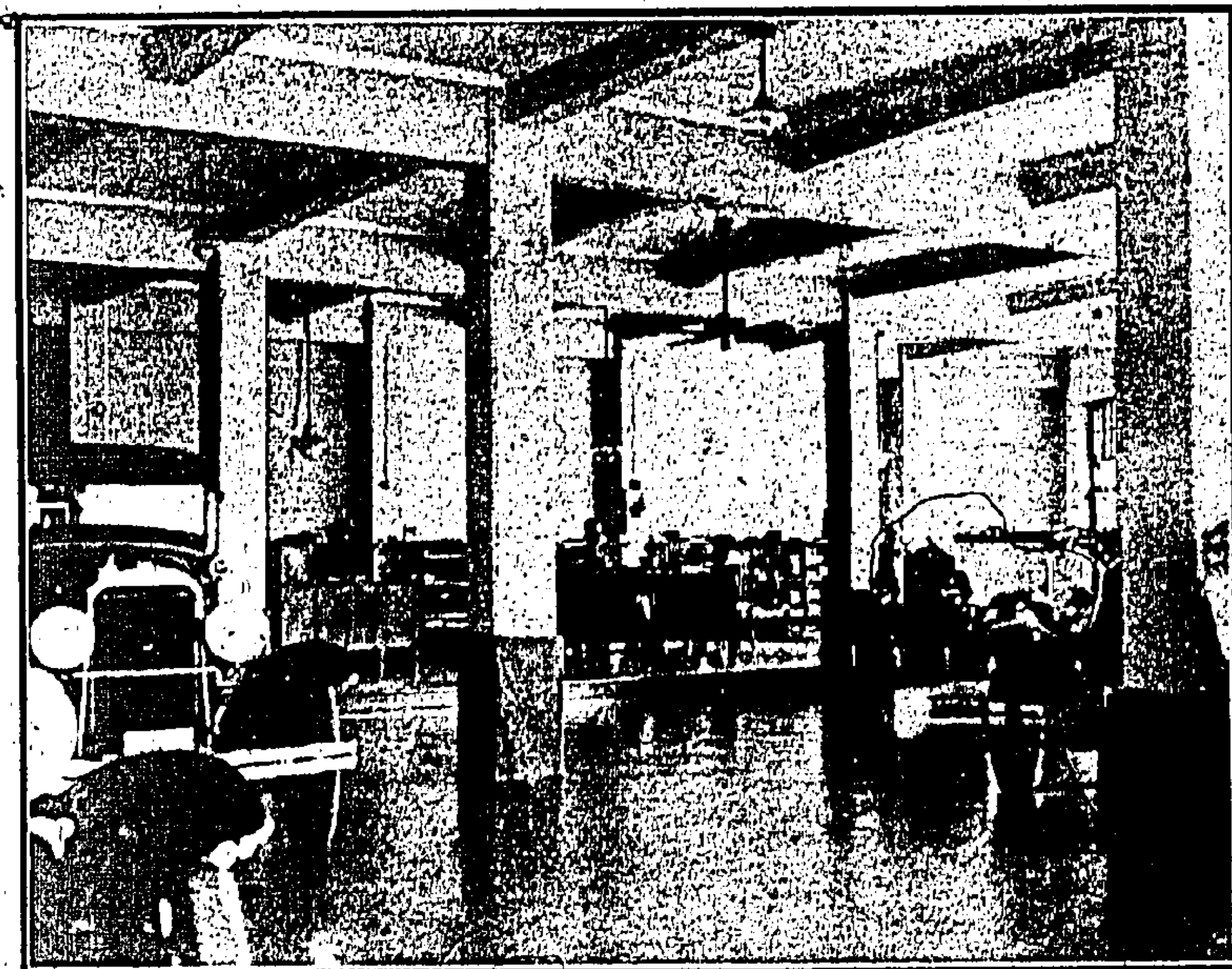
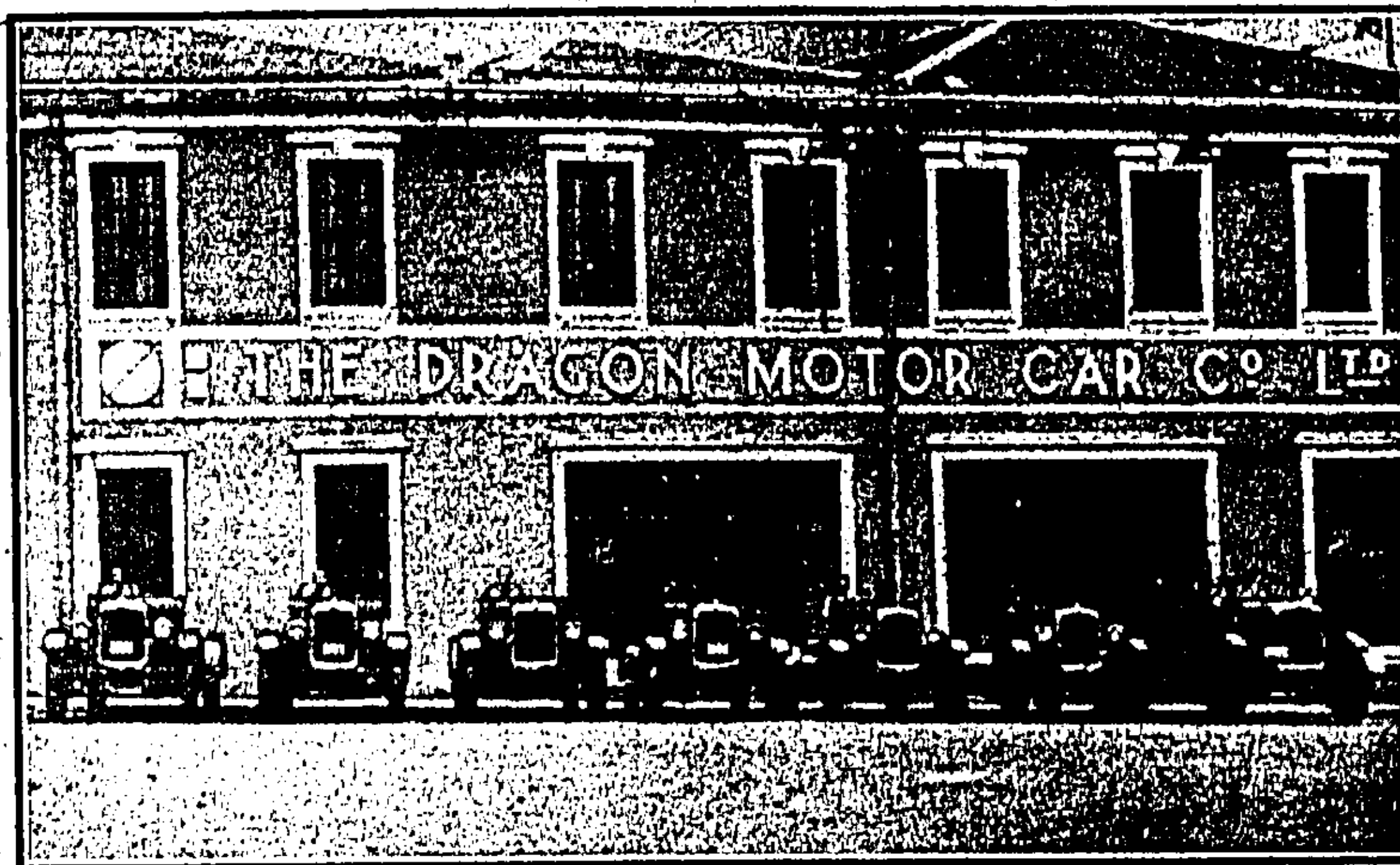
In trials, on speed tracks, and on long private tours, British "baby" cars recently have thrust themselves into public notice. Some of the performances in Australia have been startling.

Twice one are two. Twice two are four.  
That's all the lungs we've got, we don't need any more;  
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Can't even grow up like our great big brothers did.  
Trucks scare us stiff. "Buses we hate,  
"Get off the road," they say, "you roller skate."  
Lots drive us west. Some drive us east;  
Some treat us human like, and some just like a beast;

Some break our hearts; some break our backs,  
But, where there's space to drive, you'll find our tracks.  
Ask us to speed. Tell us to crawl;  
We'll do just what you want, we'll try to climb a wall.  
Bush, hill, or plain. Bench, mount or cliff,  
If it can stop us then it must be stiff.  
Gosh, but we're fast. Gee, but we're quick;  
Show us the feller that we can't take on an' lick.  
Don't put on airs. Don't practice poise—  
We're not strong, silent men—we're just tough boys.  
(Sydney Sun).



## INTERESTING HONGKONG MOTOR TRADE PICTURES.



The top picture shows seven "G.M.T." trucks which were delivered to local buyers last week by the Dragon Motor Car Company, Ltd. In the lower picture is seen the recently enlarged Sales and Office Department of the same Company at Wong Nei Chung Road, Happy Valley. (Photo: Mee Cheung).

### 30,000 MILES!

#### Remarkable Car Test.

#### STUDEBAKER FEAT.

The microscopic eye of Studebaker's engineering department was in constant attendance at the Atlantic City Speedway when the Studebaker President Eight recently established an unprecedented endurance record by travelling 30,000 miles in 26,326 consecutive minutes. Although the run was under the constant supervising of the American Automobile Association whose timers and judges kept a day and night check on the run, there were none who watched the passing parade of President Elights with more interest than men from the Studebaker engineering department.

Among the features of equipment on The President Elights which came in for close observation during the run were Studebaker's new and exclusive ball bearing spring shackles. Although these shackles had been tested in 177,000 miles of driving at the Studebaker Proving Ground and other parts of the United States, engineers were anxious to see how the shackles would perform under the strain and stress of high sustained speed. The shackles came through the 30,000-mile ordeal without the slightest sign of failure. It was interesting to note that the en-

### NEW RECORDS.

#### Nash Output Climbs.

New high production records for this season of the year were established during August by several automobile manufacturers in U.S.A., while the industry as a whole continued to reflect the remarkable activity that has characterized it throughout the current year.

Production by the Nash Motors Company in three plants during August totalled more than 21,000 cars, this record coming on top of shipment of 17,891 cars in July. A new daily output record was established by the company on August 23, with a production of 1020 cars. The estimated Nash production for the third quarter of the year is in excess of 50,000 cars.

Engineers had advised owners and dealers that the ball bearing spring shackles needed to be inspected only at intervals of 20,000 miles when lubricant might be added if necessary. But the shackles on each of the four strictly stock President Elights which went 30,000 miles in less than that number of minutes required no attention during the entire run. At the finish, they were functioning as quietly as the day the cars started.

The total of 120,000 miles of high speed testing piled up by the four cars "reproved" to the engineers what had previously been proved on Studebaker's 800-acre Proving Ground.

### BRITAIN GAINS.

#### Production Figures Up.

#### AMERICAN STATISTICS.

Statistics recently given in the commerce reports of the United States Department of Commerce show that, while motor units manufactured in the U.S.A. dropped in 1927, British production materially increased.

The report gives the following comparative figures of output of passenger and commercial vehicles:

	U.S.A.	U.K. Britain.
1925 ...	4,255,704	176,800
1926 ...	4,298,793	198,699
1927 ...	3,394,255	231,520

Figures given in the American report show that Great Britain is second in the list of motor manufacturing countries.

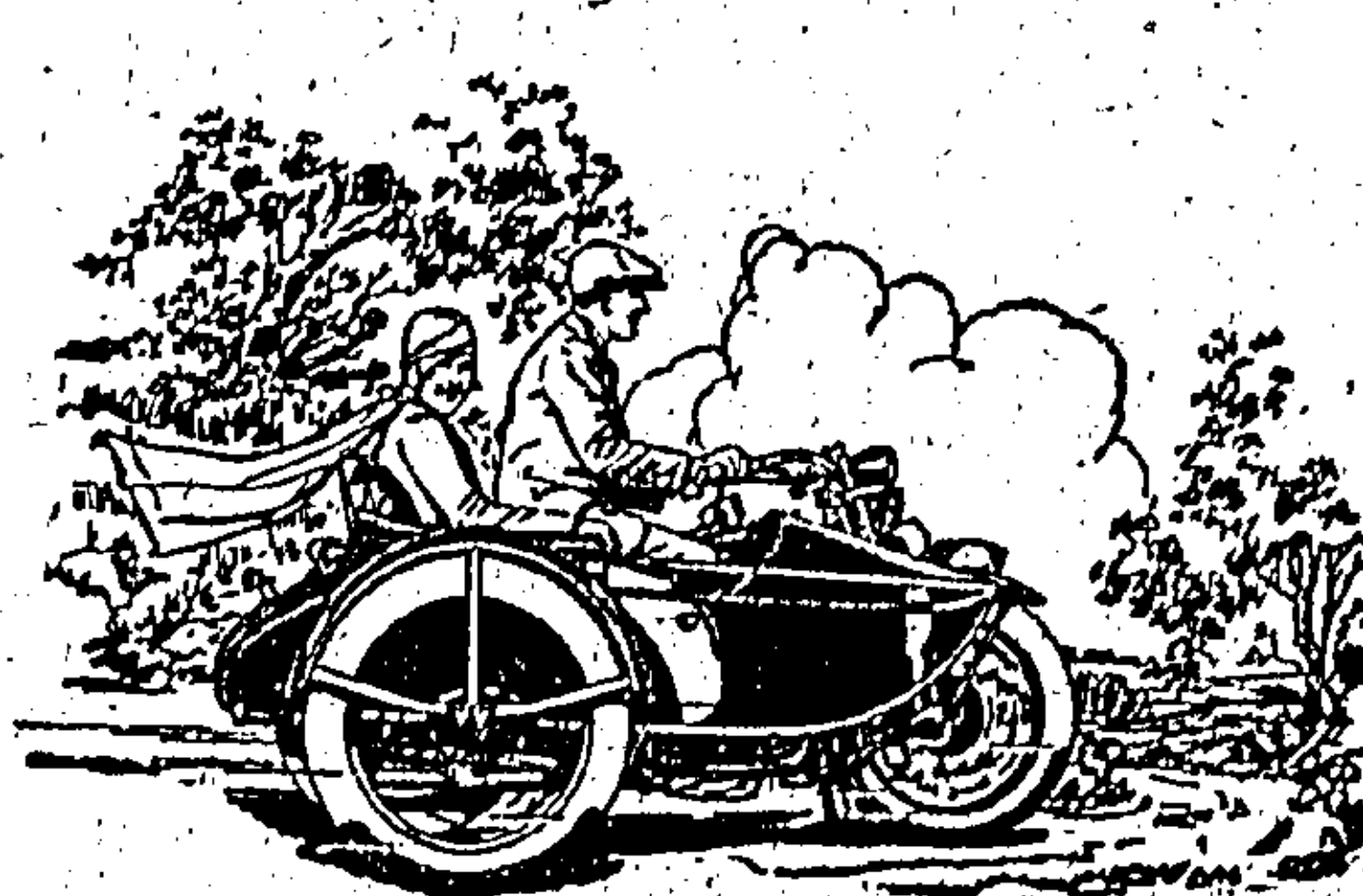
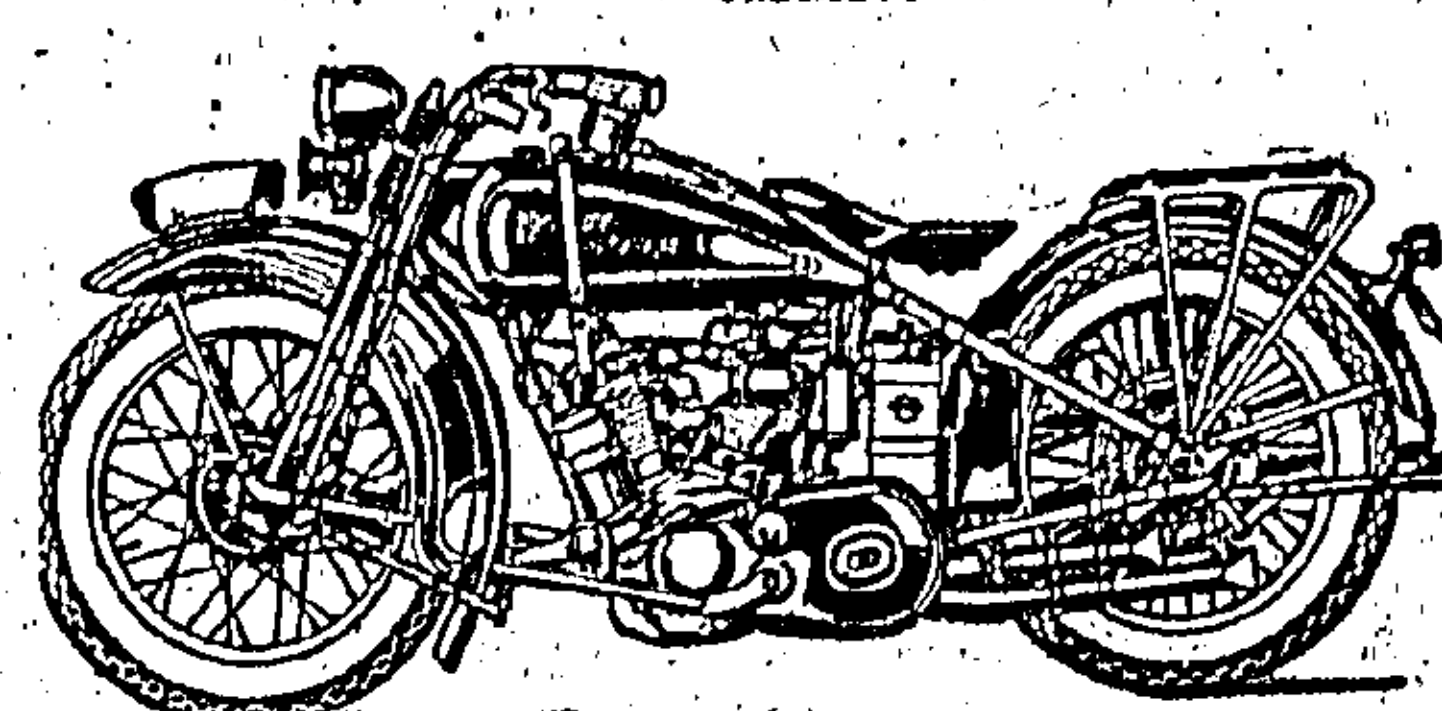
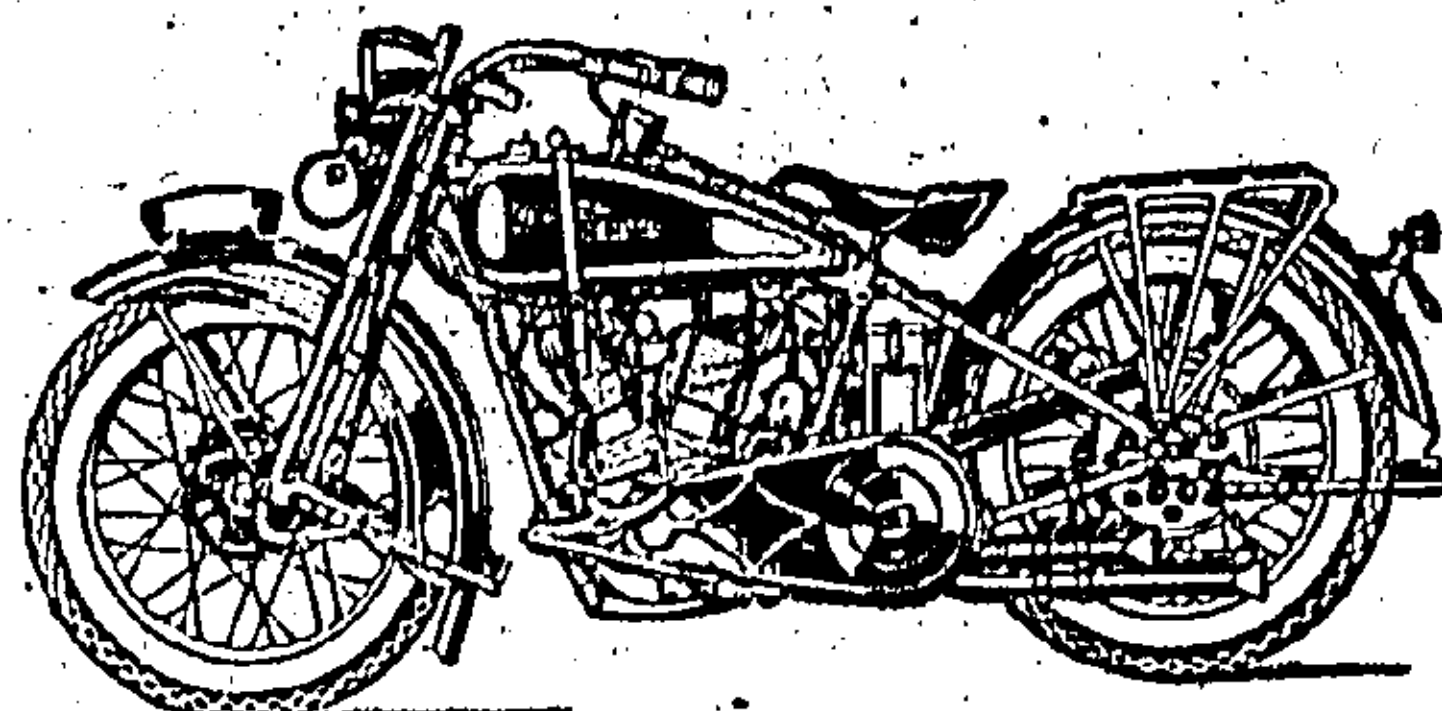
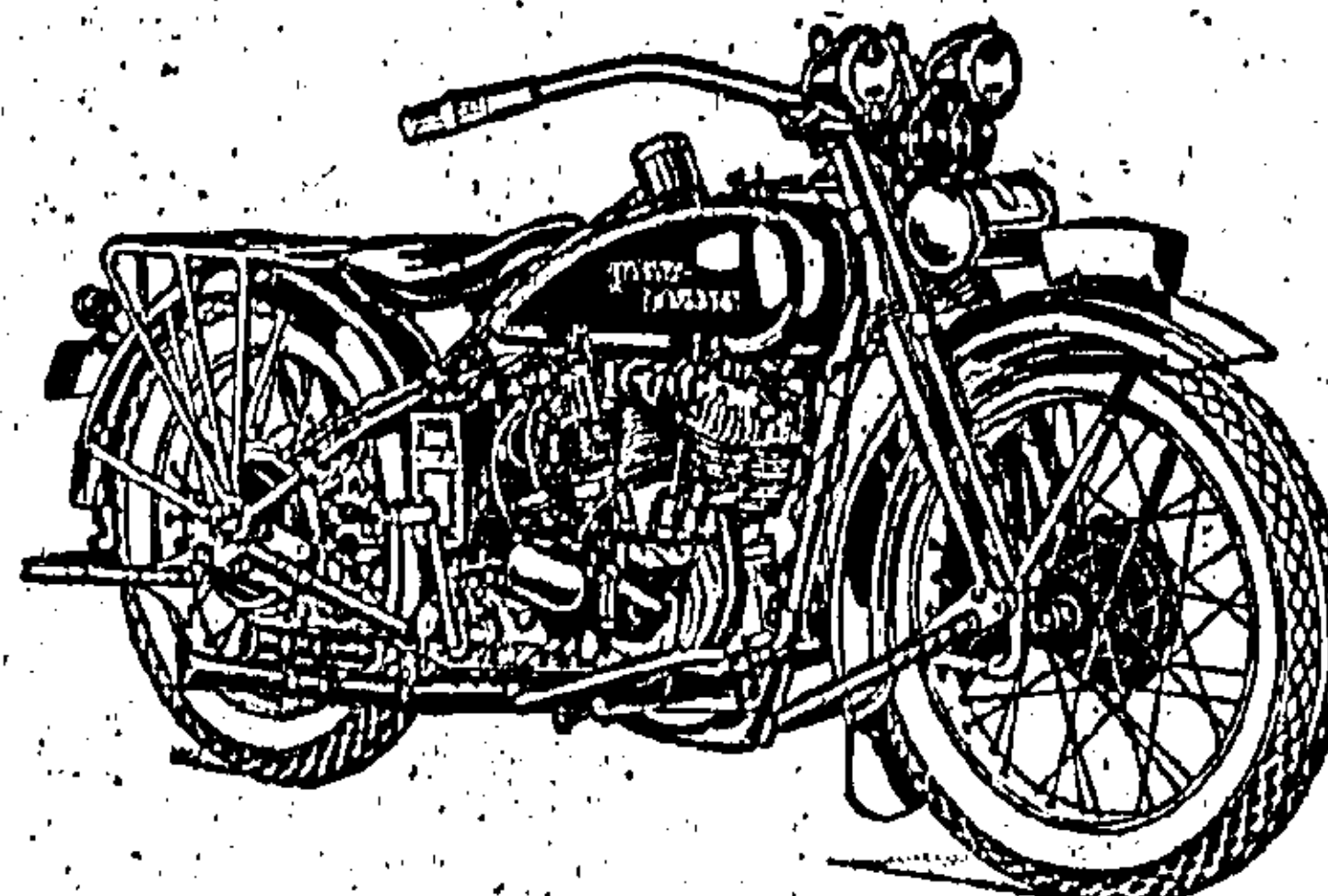
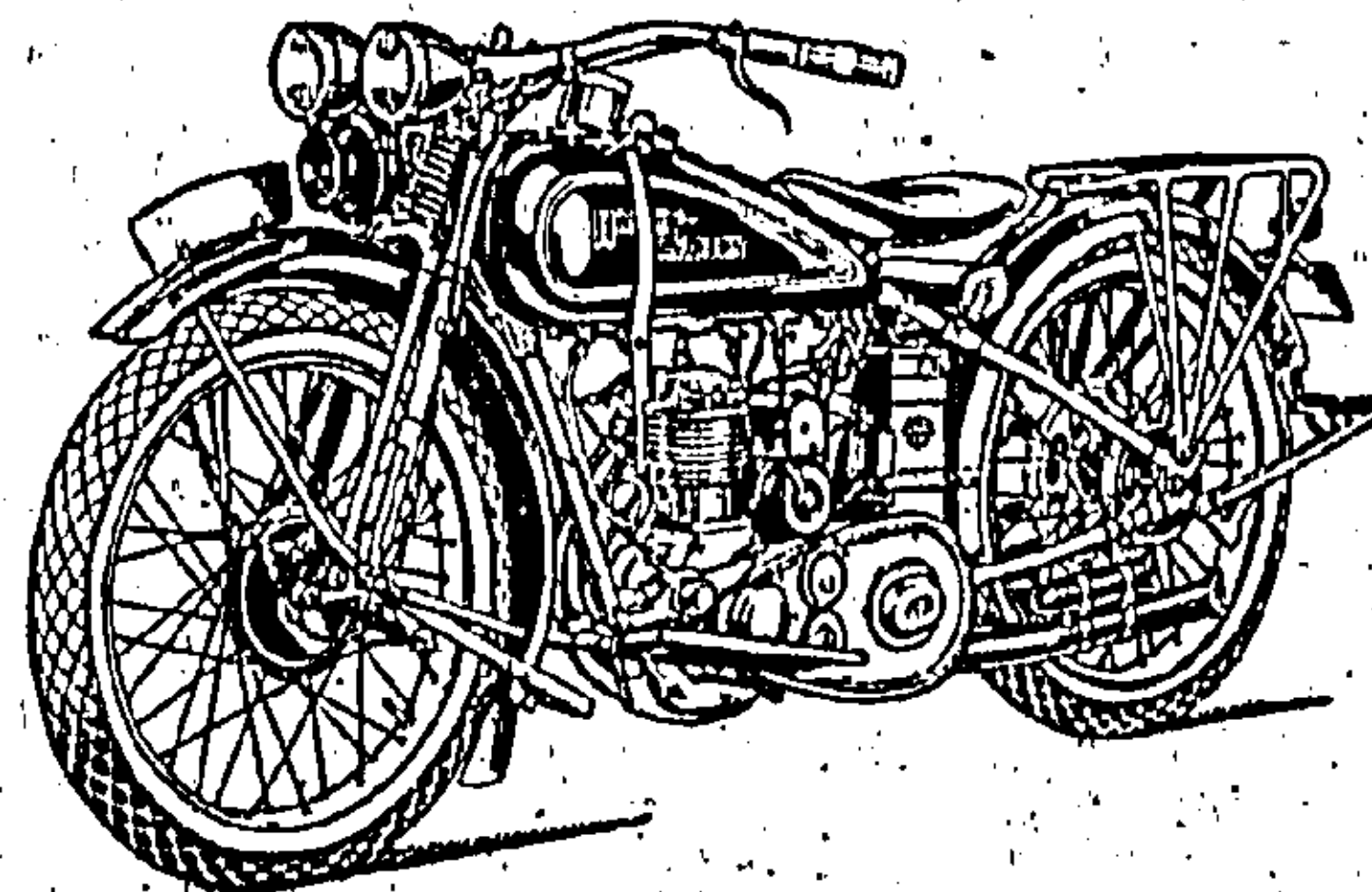
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### THIRTY YEARS OF MOTORING & GOLF.

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Having motored and "golfed" since the beginning of the century, it has occurred to me that a brief survey of the developments during the time that has elapsed since might be of interest alike to the present generation of motorists and golfers, and to people who, like myself, have been following both pursuits during the period under review. As this contribution deals more with golf than with motoring, special attention will be paid to the golfing side.

I may mention that I have chosen a period of thirty years for three reasons, because (1) thirty years ago, the motor car was scarcely counted before then, (2) it includes what was probably the most momentous development of all in the game of golf—namely, the change over to the rubber-cored ball and (3) I am familiar with everything that has happened in regard to the game of golf, and, in a non-technical way, the advance in the motorcar. In other words, I represent the point of view of the

owner-driver with no advanced knowledge of engineering.

Car Progress.

One merely has to glance at some of the pictures of old cars published from time to time to realise what tremendous strides have been made in the design and construction of the bodies. The gradual adoption of streamline ideas, better protection for the driver and passengers—first of all by the addition of a windscreen and later by better hoods, side-curtains and "all-weather" equipment, right down to the modern saloon—are matters worthy of a little thought. Neither have the smaller details been neglected; indeed, the advance in useful accessories, such as screen wipers, dashboard instruments and "safety first" devices has been very great.

Less Weight.

The reduced weight of the bodies is also a matter of vital interest, for this, combined with the greater efficiency of the engine, has increased the speed and carry capacity per horse-power out of all recognition. If the reader will cast his mind back to the period immediately preceding the war he will realise at once how great has been the development. In this direction alone, while on this subject it may be well to mention the wonderful strides made in such matters as the lighting and starting set, tyres that if properly treated last a truly amazing length of time and give an advanced degree of comfort, and brakes on all four wheels.

Now must we overlook the advances that have been made in providing better value for money, both in outlay and running costs; recently enhanced service after purchase, and the latest discoveries in regard to motor spirits. Other similar points will occur to the reader, but I must not exhaust my space at the expense of the golfing side, which in itself is a big subject, covering many aspects.

Let us consider the development of the ball first, because of its immense influence on the popularity of the game. Less than thirty years ago the hard, unresponsive "putty" was in universal use. Late in 1901 a few gross of "Haskells," the first brand of rubber core, were shipped from America; and so great was the improvement over the balls made from solid gutta-percha, from the point of view of the ease with which they could be played, as well as in the matter of increased hitting power—something like twenty-five yards were added to the length of an average drive—that there was an eager rush on the part of nearly every enthusiast

to obtain this new type of ball. Though the nominal price was two shillings, for some little time there was a run on them at half a sovereign each.

The Rubber Core.

Before the end of the summer of 1902, following Sandy Herd's victory with it in the Open Championship, the rubber core was in general use. Its advent proved to be the beginning of a new boom in golf, for the game became more pleasant without losing any of its interest, and, what was equally important, more economical. The softer ball was not so severe on the wooden clubs, and, although the best makes retailed at double the price of the gutty, they stood more punishment and lasted longer under nearly all conditions of play. Moreover, as is the case now, quite good balls could be purchased at lower prices than the figure mentioned.

It may be well briefly to trace the progress of the rubber core. The "Haskell" and the "Kempshall," which followed on its heels, were very hard in comparison with the present-day balls. Year after year substantial improvements were made, and it is only in recent times that progress has been relatively slow. Gradually the cover became thinner and proportionately tougher, and the ball more resilient. It was I think, in 1907 that the first small heavy ball made its appearance, a brand known as the "Baby Kite," which enjoyed a big run of success from a manufacturing point of view. It was found that heavy balls added considerably to the length of all the shots, particularly when playing against the wind, and by 1910 the majority of golfers were using this type of ball.

The "Standard Ball" Problem.

This extra weight started the "standard ball" controversy, which has been more or less prominent ever since. Had the matter been tackled boldly at the time, and a stipulation made that every ball must float in clear water, golf clubs would have been saved hundreds of thousands of pounds, in the aggregate, in schemes for lengthening the courses. It is true that a standard ball was introduced seven years ago, but all that did was to fix a minimum size very slightly larger than the smallest balls then on the market, and to reduce the weight of the most popular brands by about 1½ pennyweights. It was found at once that the new standard flew as far as the balls previously in use, but it is only fair to point out that it is highly probable that balls would go farther than they do had no restriction been placed on the size and weight.

At the present time there are three schools of thought in regard to the ball problem. Firstly, there are those who are against any change, and unquestionably these represent the vast majority of golfers. Secondly, there are people who advocate a slight reduction of flight by a careful adjustment of the present weight and measurement allowed—that is, a slightly larger and lighter ball, or, alternatively, a larger ball of the same weight. Thirdly, there are a few people, whom I will take the liberty of calling extremists, who would reduce the weight of the ball substantially by insisting that it should float. Let me state that in my personal view this would be much too drastic, as well as unnecessary, since almost every course has been lengthened to suit a ball more powerful than a flounder. By the way, I do not regard the "back to the putty" agitation seriously, because I am told on reliable authority that there would be a difficulty in obtaining sufficient material, and in consequence the price would soon be prohibitive.

The Present Position.

Apparently the situation at the moment is that the authorities on both sides of the Atlantic are striving to reach an agreement on this ball question. That, in the humble opinion of the writer, is where they are making a mistake, because the playing conditions in the two countries are so different. Over here we get a mixture of weather—the British climate is noted for its fickleness, though none of us would change it if we could, despite our constant complaints (Wouldn't we!—Ed.), and our courses are seldom dry for more than a month or so in the year.

In the United States dry conditions prevail, in more senses than one, for long periods. Drives can be struck huge distances, and, owing to the fact that the greens are heavily watered, the approaches are not merely short, but comparatively easy, notwithstanding some rather severe schemes of bunkering on some of the best-known courses. This has a vital bearing upon the whole problem, because it is only in dry weather that the power of the modern ball spoils the modern course. The average, and even the good, golfer wants all the length he can obtain on at least ninety-five per cent. of the times he plays. Why, therefore, should not the Americans have their own standard, and we ours?

### TWO HUGE SHIPS.

Goodyear to Build Them.

The Goodyear Zeppelin Company, a subsidiary of the Goodyear Tyre and Rubber Co., has been awarded a contract to build two large airships to cost £1,500,000, for the United States Navy. These new airships will be more than twice the size of the ill-fated Shenandoah, and will incorporate the latest aeronautical developments.

The Shenandoah had a gas capacity of 2,115,000 cubic feet capacity. But whereas the Shenandoah presented the more slender shape of earlier designs, the new ships will follow somewhat along the lines of the Los Angeles in increased girth, and will be somewhat fatter in shape. This will give increased longitudinal strength. The power cars, which were suspended outside in the earlier types, are to be housed within the framework of the new ships, only the propellers projecting.

Reliability.

If I have strayed a little from the main theme I ask forgiveness, and only hope that the facts enumerated have proved of interest. Reverting now to the subject of progress, it is worthy of note that golf balls have become much more reliable. Whereas balls of the same brand used to vary they are now wonderfully uniform. Of indirect interest to the golfer is the fact that testing machines are used extensively. All sorts of tests are made, varying from devices that drive a ball with mechanical precision to a kind of guillotine, of which I saw an illustration the other day, that tests its resistance against topping. I should imagine that machines of this kind were unthought of thirty years ago.

So wide is this subject of development that I find I have used up my allotted space without dealing adequately with the golfing side. Such matters as green-keeping, course architecture, fashions in clothes, the rise of inland golf, and certain inventions connected with various phases of the game call for consideration, and in view of this I have the Editor's permission to return to the subject at an early date.

### NEW OASES.

Wherever the burning plains stretch wide beneath the hangline dust-cloud's pall; Wherever the winding track attains the crest; Where the roaming road sweeps round in the lee of the mountain's wall, Or the paddocks gleam in the valleys of the blest; Like a rigid finger pointing hope as you race through each rut and bump, You will see—and sigh with relief to see—a pump.

And the firm conviction's formed that you must walk; Then out in the staring sunlight, hard or close to a tin shed's rump— You discover that no best work of man—a pump.

It is sometimes the only pointed speck in a monotone of brown, More often it wears a lilac or rust, Whatever the paint that shows in strips on its mottled, faded gown, It has always juice at its base and is never bust; For the crawling tankers it fed from railroad or seaport dump, That ubiquitous scornor of shackles—miles—the nump. (Sydney Sam.)

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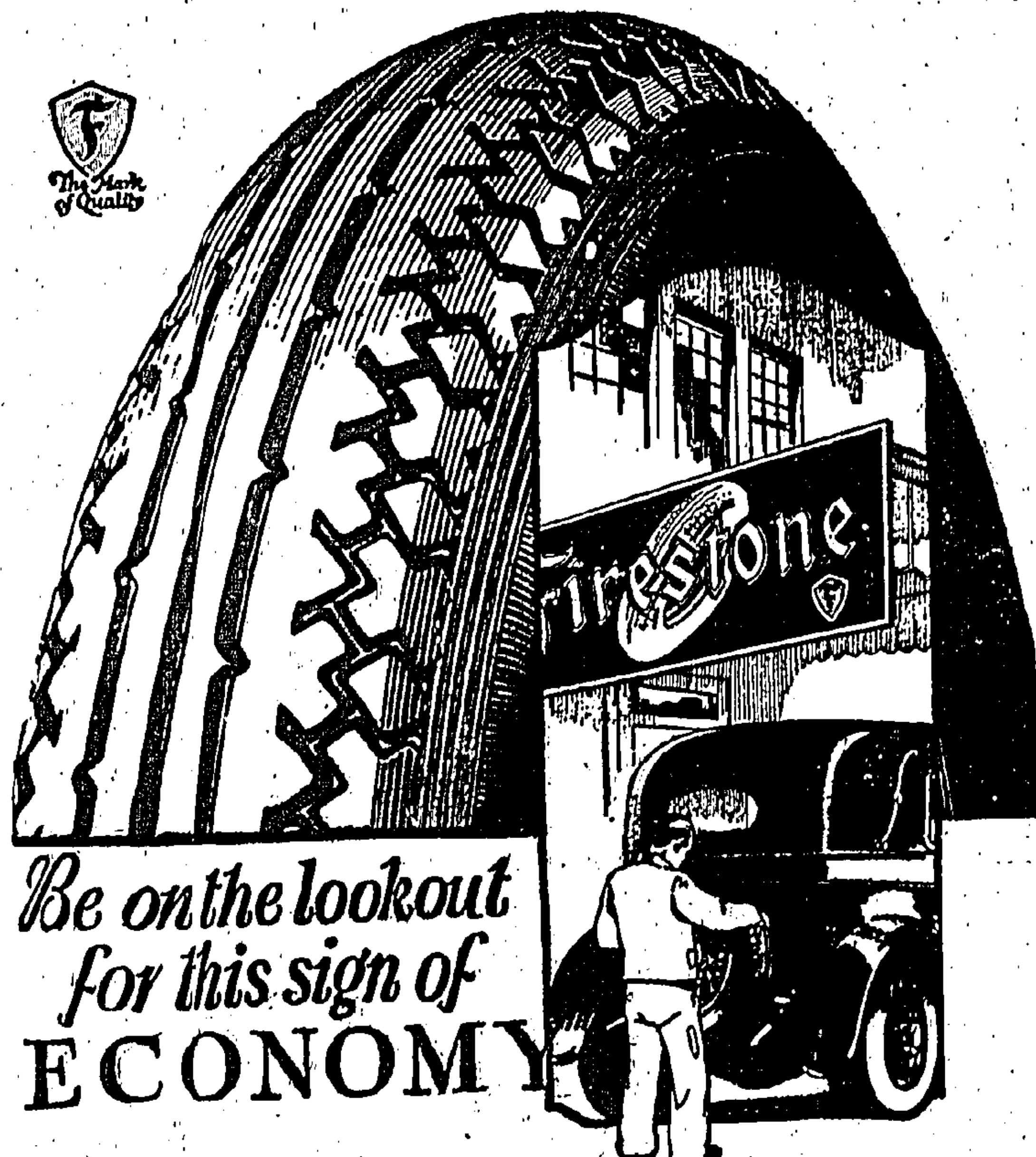
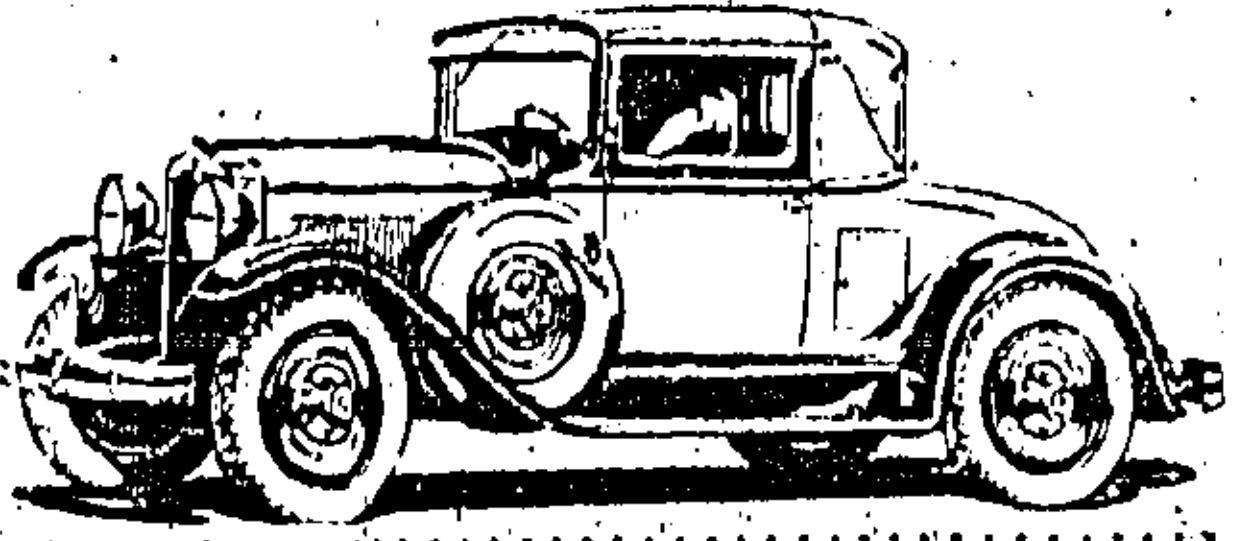
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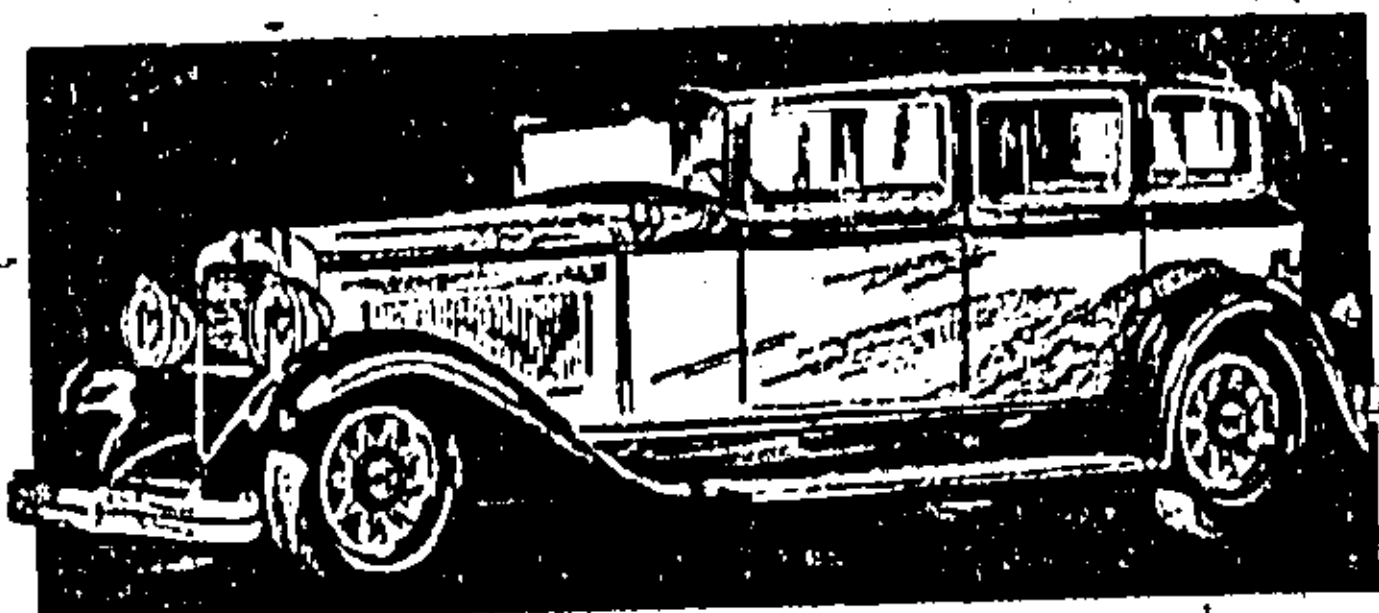
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## HINTS FOR THE MOTORIST by ALBERT L. CLOUGH

FOLLOWING THE UNBEATEN TRACK.

It is as natural for the motorist to pick out improved roads to travel upon as for water to run downhill and up to a few years ago there was room on these main thoroughfares to accommodate the cars of all who wished to use them.

### Too Many Cars.

But of late years, on heavy driving days, everyone knows that the improved highways, especially those between populous centres, have become so crowded as to render their use unsafe, irritating and time consuming. Taking part in a parade, at a funeral, or a picnic, has little to recommend it either to the pleasure seeker or to the motorist on business bent.

### Country Roads.

With the improved road system of many parts of the country thus near breaking down, on busy days, what recourse is there? Simply to go back to the unimproved alternative routes, of which there are plenty. There is absolutely no novelty claimed for this solution, but it is apparent that the time has come when the by-ways must be used, at times by a goodly proportion of motorists if either pleasure or early arrival at their destinations is to be secured.

### Poor Roads Comfortable.

In the early days, motorists sought improved roads, because their cars had not the power, easy riding qualities or reliability to render their use advisable over sandy, hilly, rough highways, having few service stations upon them, but now cars have surplus power and wonderful reliability and the adoption of the balloon tyre has made rough roads substantially smooth.

### Relieving Congestion.

An increased use of the ordinary country roads, which nearly parallel most state highways, will not only relieve the main arteries of traffic enough to restore their original usefulness, but will give the motorists who travel them considerable relief from driving strain, new landscapes—sometimes of exceptional beauty—and in many instances will enable better time to be made than can be made by "following the procession" on the trunk lines.

### Clutch Trouble.

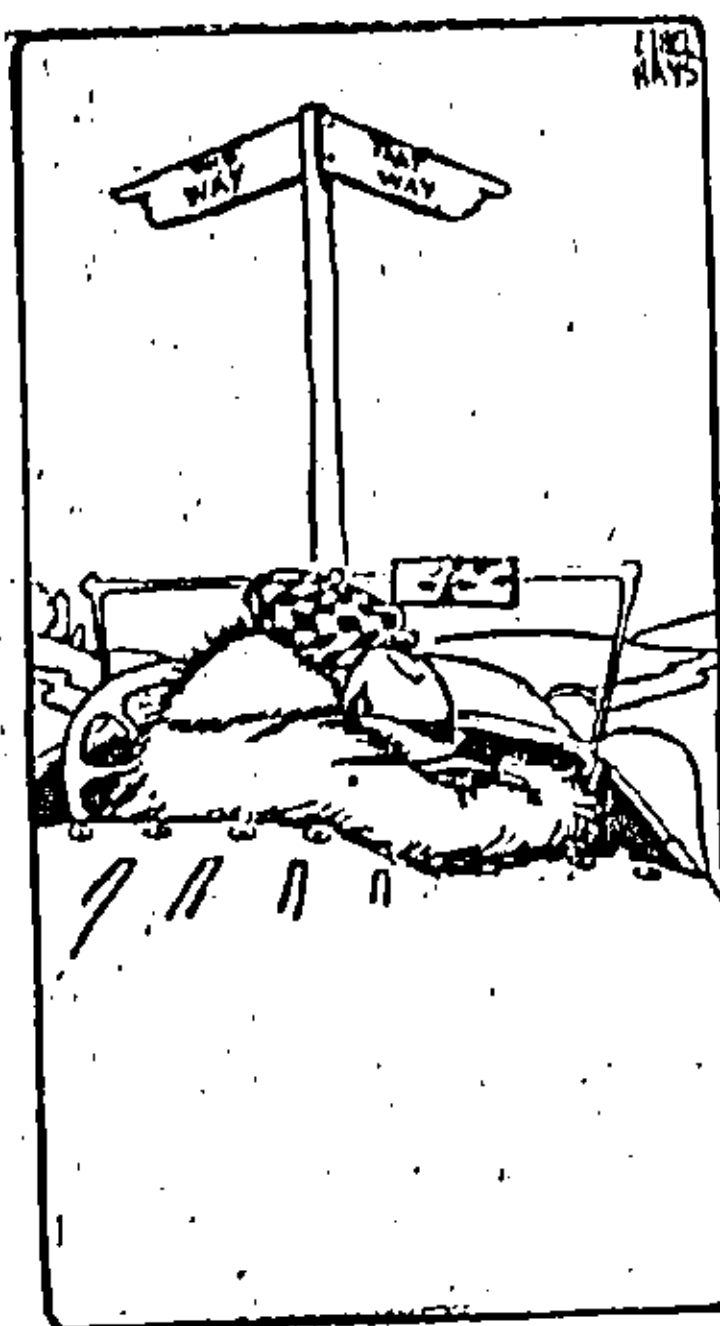
Question.—When I let in the clutch to start, my car jerks and trembles all over. Sometimes it seems as if it would be shaken to pieces. By using extreme care and letting the clutch engage very slowly indeed, the shaking is not quite so bad. They tell me at the service station, that this is no more than might be expected with a new car like this, and that the trouble will disappear with further use. What can you suggest?

Answer.—The clutch action of this make of car is usually very gentle and satisfactory and if your clutch has not improved from the beginning, there is every reason to believe that there is something radically wrong with it, probably faulty assembling or adjustment. If the trouble has only recently developed possibly washing oil off the clutch facings with gasoline might help, but we doubt it. If practicable, we suggest that you drive your car to the nearest factory branch of the manufacturer and have it inspected there. We don't believe that this trouble will "cure itself" as the service station people seem to think.

### Oil Thinned Out.

Question.—Although the engine of my car has had new piston-rings and its valves ground and although the carburettor is cut down as low as possible yet gasoline seems to get through into the crankcase and thins the oil out in a day or two. How do you account for this?

Answer.—The carburettor of this car depends upon a full supply of exhaust gas passing through its jacket, for proper vaporization of the gasoline and if this supply of exhaust heat is not adequate, there will be much liquid fuel leaking down past the pistons. You better examine the heat setting of your carburettor and see that all exhaust passages are free. Also inspect the vacuum tank and make sure that there is nothing wrong with it, which permits the fuel level in it to rise above the suction connexion, thereby letting gasoline be sucked directly into the manifold. Although you have new piston-rings they may not be properly fitted. If your radiator water does not run fairly hot partly shield the radiator, so that it will do so.



A fork in the road usually calls for a spoon.

### POLITE POLICE.

Say, "Please," to Walkers.

Police in Quito (Ecuador) probably hold the record for politeness.

When north and south bound traffic is stopped to allow east and west bound traffic to proceed at the street intersection, the traffic policemen on duty motion north and south bound pedestrians to remain on the footpaths, and say:—

"With your permission, ladies and gentlemen."

## MOTOR LEGISLATION.

### "Anti-Cuddling" Law.

### THE WAY OF JAPAN.

Japan, perhaps of all countries stands out as having the most exacting laws relating to motoring. But, with the usual exactitude of the Japanese, there is a reason for all of them.

In common with New South Wales, the Nipponese authorities insist on a rigid rule respecting the tail-lamp switch. Discussing it, Mr. P. H. Lyden, special representative for the Studebaker Corporation in the Far East, refers to it as an exacting piece of legislation. Local motorists agree with him, more especially in wet weather.

The regulation referred to is that which insists that the switch operating the tail-lamp must be placed on the rear of the car.

One of the most peculiar of their regulations has become known there as the "anti-cuddling" law, though its framing was brought about by a much more serious occurrence than back seat flirtation.

It is the law which requires that all cars be equipped with dome lights, which must be lighted when the car is driven at night.

In most countries, motorists would look askance at all cars driven in the evening with dome lights brightly shining—but it is no novelty in Tokyo.

This aim at safeguarding passengers. It was passed because a struggle between two passengers in an unlighted hire car resulted in the death of one. So, no doubt, it performs what its nickname suggests.

Another law, entirely peculiar to Japan, yet with features recommending it for introduction in many other countries, is one which requires all cars to be equipped with mud splashers in wet weather.

Japanese cities have a great number of narrow dirt roads, and the law was passed to avoid the continuous splashing of pedestrians with wet mud. All the wheels must have these splash guards, and when, recently a Studebaker was sold to the Japanese Royal Household, its equipment had to comprise the splash guards.

The bulb horn, long extinct in most countries, still holds sway in Japan, because it is required by law. A car owner may have as many electric horns as he wants, but he must also have a bulb horn in his car, in case something should happen to the current operating the electric device.

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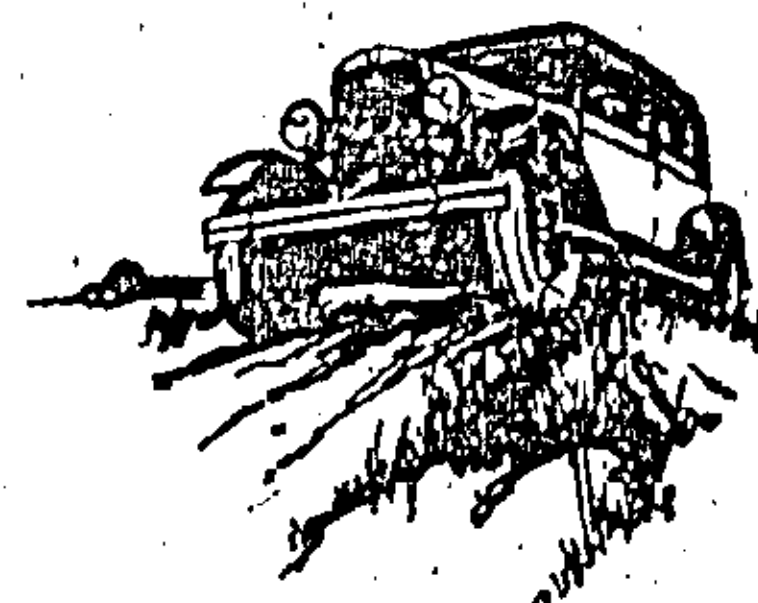
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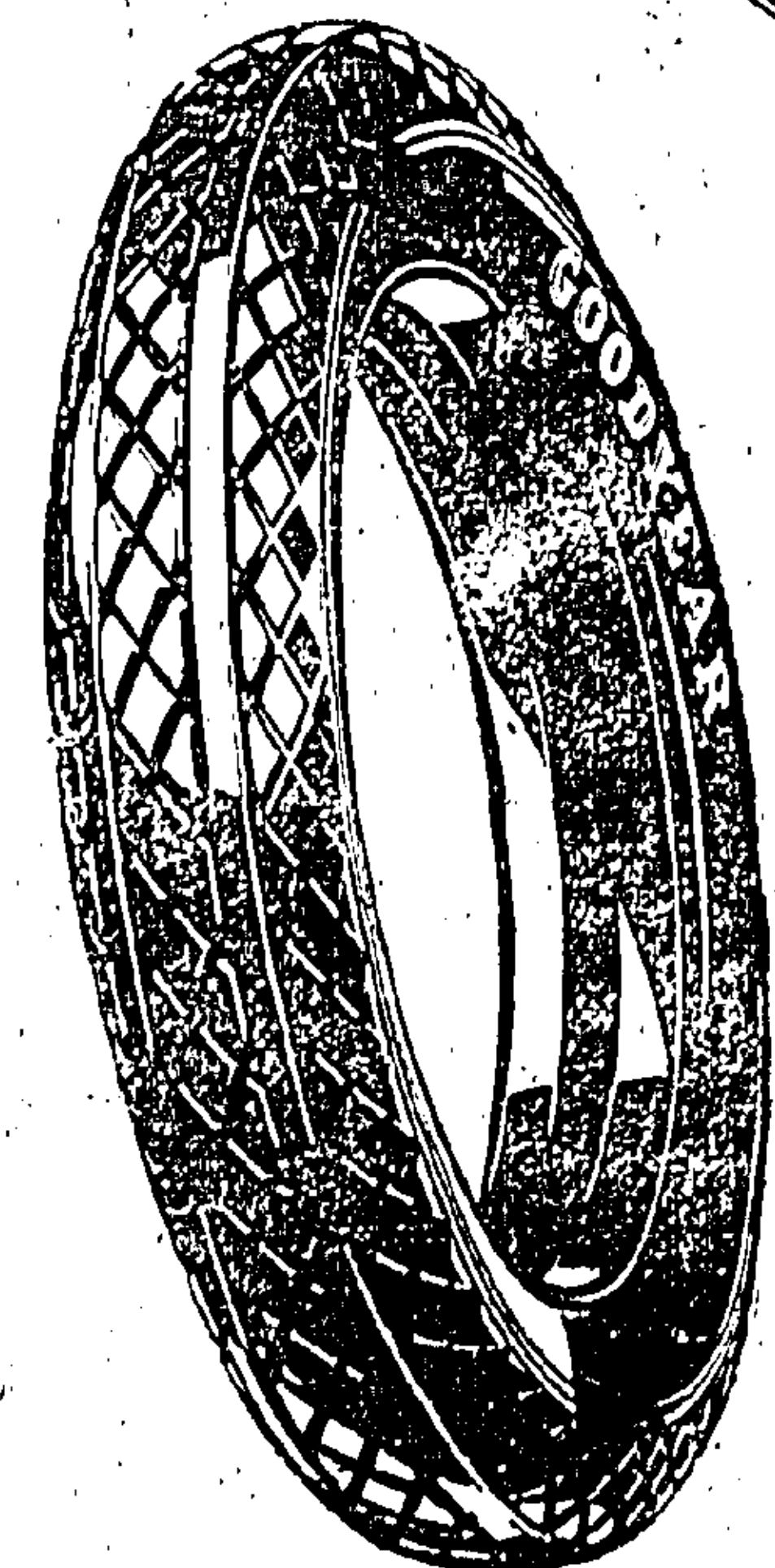
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ments of the front-wheel drive  
cars, being experimented on by the  
Alvis Car and Engineering Com-  
pany.

Front-wheel drive has been talk-  
ed about in spasms for quite a long  
time, but it has been left to the  
Alvis Company to lead the way with  
a car that strikes an entirely new  
note in automobile design and con-  
struction—a car embodying not one  
or two, but a host of revolutionary  
features.

The most obvious feature of the  
car is its low build. Actually, the  
floor is but 13 inches above the  
ground, whilst the top of the seat  
cushion is only about 10 inches  
higher than the floor. The clear-  
ance between the ground and  
bottom of the frame is in the  
neighbourhood of nine inches and  
the centre of gravity is, therefore,  
very low indeed, a characteristic  
which enables fast cornering to be  
indulged in with safety.

At the outset it would be as well  
to explain that the different com-  
ponents of the engine and trans-  
mission are reversed, i.e. the clutch,  
gearbox and differential are all  
placed in front of the power unit.  
Consequently, this Alvis has an ex-  
ceptionally long bonnet, which adds  
to its sporting appearance. The  
engine, which is placed directly in  
front of the dashboard, is of the  
1½ litre, four-cylinder type, and  
is rated at 12/50 h.p. It is fitted  
with overhead valves, which are  
vertically disposed in a detachable  
cylinder head, and are operated by  
an overhead camshaft, instead of  
push rods. The bore and stroke of  
the engine are 68 mm. and 103 mm.  
respectively, giving a capacity of  
1496 c.c.s.

The flywheel and single-plate  
clutch are housed directly in front  
of the engine and the four-speed  
gearbox and differential are placed  
directly in front of this. The dif-  
ferential is placed right underneath  
the radiator, which plants forward  
at the bottom, covering the dif-  
ferential and giving the car an ex-  
ceptionally pleasing appearance.

The gear change control is dis-  
tinctly interesting, and a ball-type  
right-hand gear lever is fitted.  
The mechanism for transmitting  
the transverse oscillating and fore-  
and-aft motions from the lever to  
the selector gear is very simply  
carried out, and, in practice, the  
control operates in a manner quite  
indistinguishable from the normal  
ball type, where the lever is mount-  
ed above the gearbox.

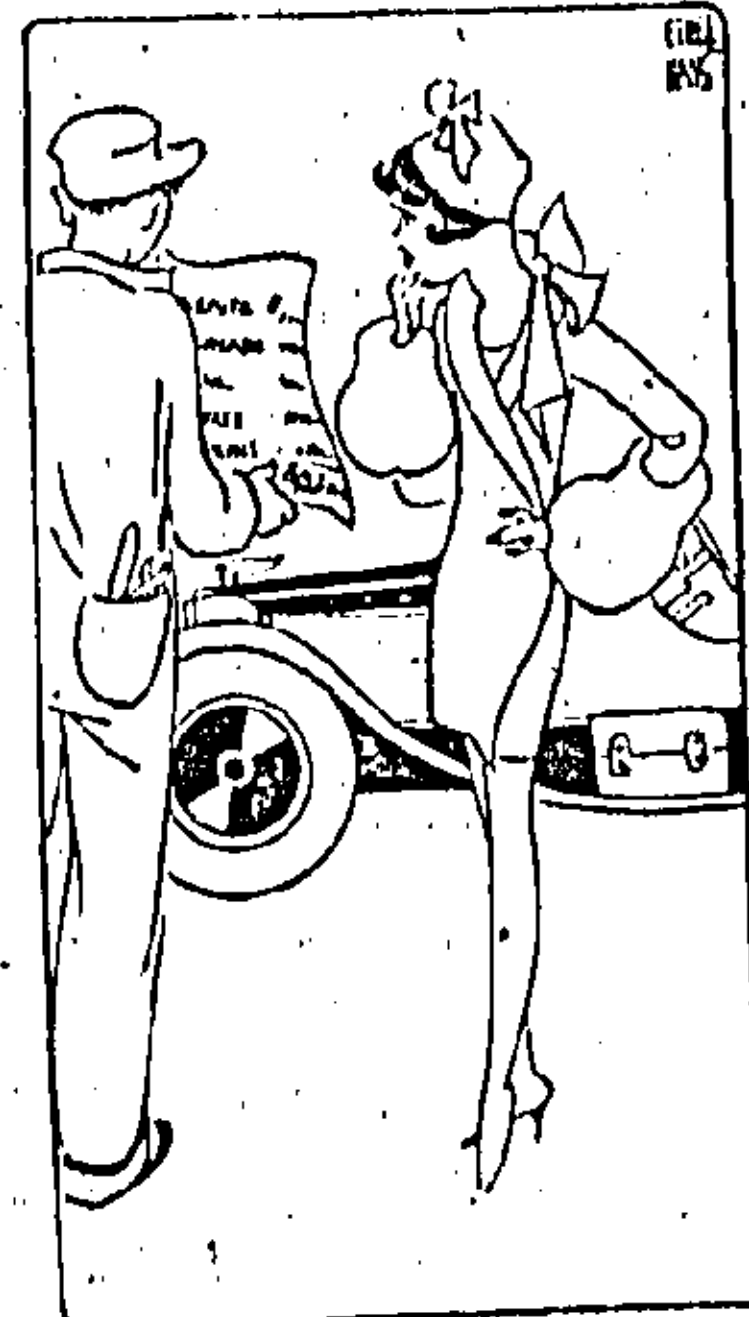
The braking system is well plan-  
ned; ribbed drums are mounted on  
bearings which are housed in the  
differential casing and consequently

the braking-torque reaction is taken  
through the frame and not through  
the springs.

The chassis is of particular in-  
terest, as it is of immense strength  
but light in weight. The springs  
are all attached to the main frame,  
quarter ellipses being used all  
round. At the front, four trans-  
verse springs on each side are built  
into a box-like formation, the outer  
extremities being attached by pin  
joints to spherical housings, into  
which the swivel pins are built.  
The driving shafts pass straight  
from the differential through the  
centre of the hubs. At the back,  
quarter elliptic springs are mount-  
ed on the rear extremity of the  
chassis frame.

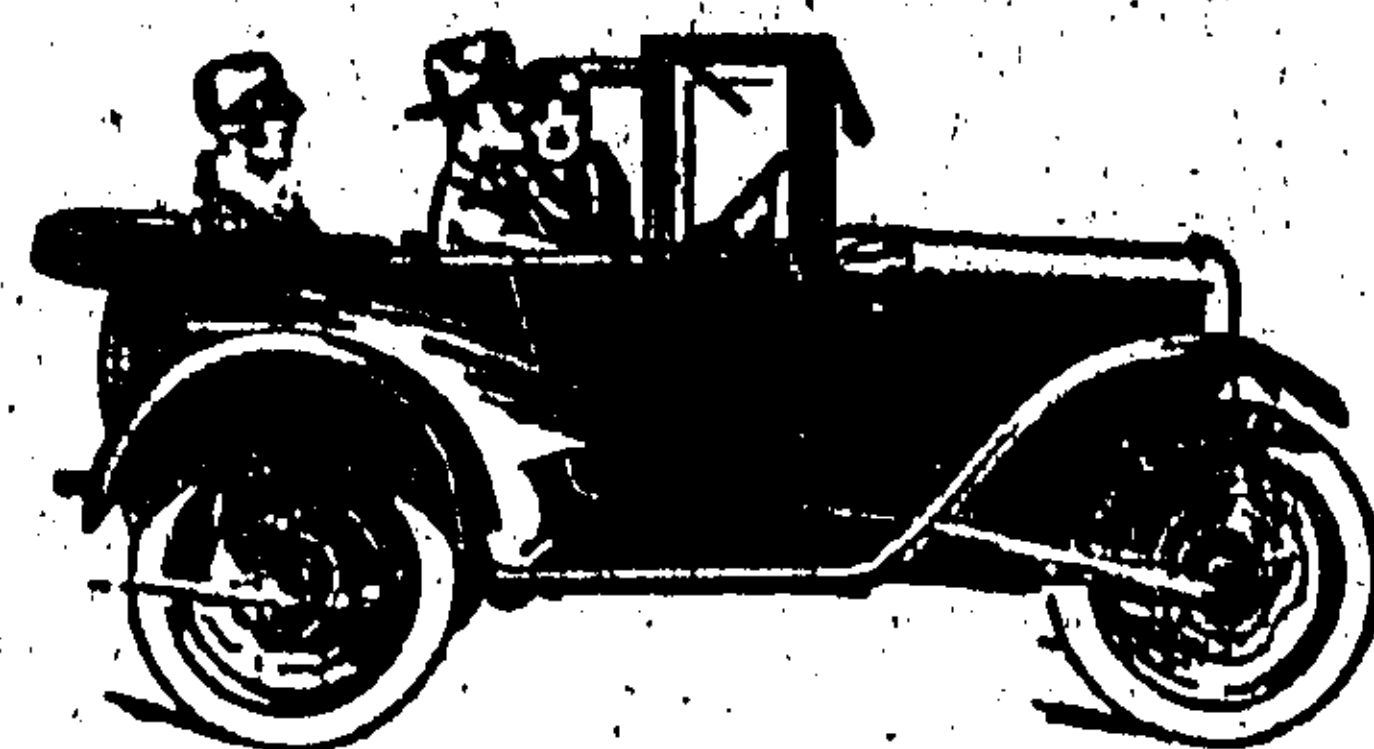
The ability of the new Alvis for  
speedy cornering is surprising.  
Corners and sharp bends can be  
taken at phenomenally high speeds  
without giving rise to that tense  
feeling which suggests that a car  
is on the verge of becoming uncon-  
trollable. It is possible to take a  
curve at 50 m.p.h. in the front-  
wheel drive car, where it would be  
positively dangerous for other cars  
to negotiate at 35 or 40 m.p.h.  
This, of course, can be attributed  
to the extremely low centre of  
gravity.

The dashboard is also of parti-  
cular interest, and incorporates a  
clock, speedometer, petrol gauge, re-  
volution counter, oil gauge, am-  
meter, and switches, starter and  
choke, whilst a special racing steer-  
ing wheel is also fitted.—*Sydney  
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his car seems to pull better at  
night, and the reason of this has  
mystified many people. This has  
particularly the case with those  
who have tried out second hand  
cars at night only to find that  
during the daytime there has been  
a falling off in pulling power.

This phenomenon is really the  
effect of one of nature's provisions  
for the safety of all life. Due to  
the breathing arrangements of  
animals a large quantity of carbon  
dioxide is introduced into the at-  
mosphere. Unless there were some

provision of restoring in the un-  
combined state the oxygen which  
goes to form the carbon dioxide,  
we should perish from a lack of  
oxygen and an excess of carbon  
dioxide.

Nature has overcome this  
difficulty by constructing the  
organs of all vegetation so that  
during the day they absorb carbon  
dioxide through their foliage, and  
in the chemical action which ensues  
in the vegetation the carbon and  
oxygen is divided. The plants use  
the carbon, but at night they expel  
the oxygen into the air for our con-  
sumption. For this reason there  
is more oxygen in the air at night  
than in the daytime. The more  
oxygen there is the better the com-  
bustion of the gases in the cylinder  
and the greater the power develop-  
ed. This is the reason why a car  
gives greater efficiency at night  
than during the daytime.

### LESS BOUGHT ON TIME.

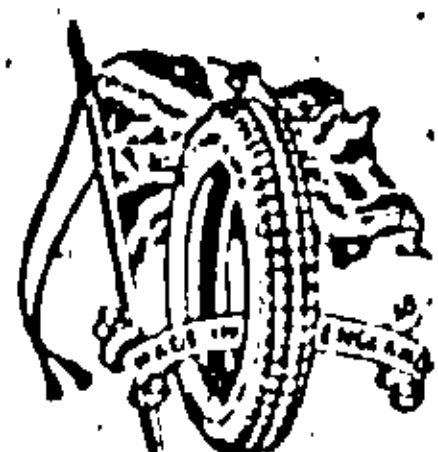
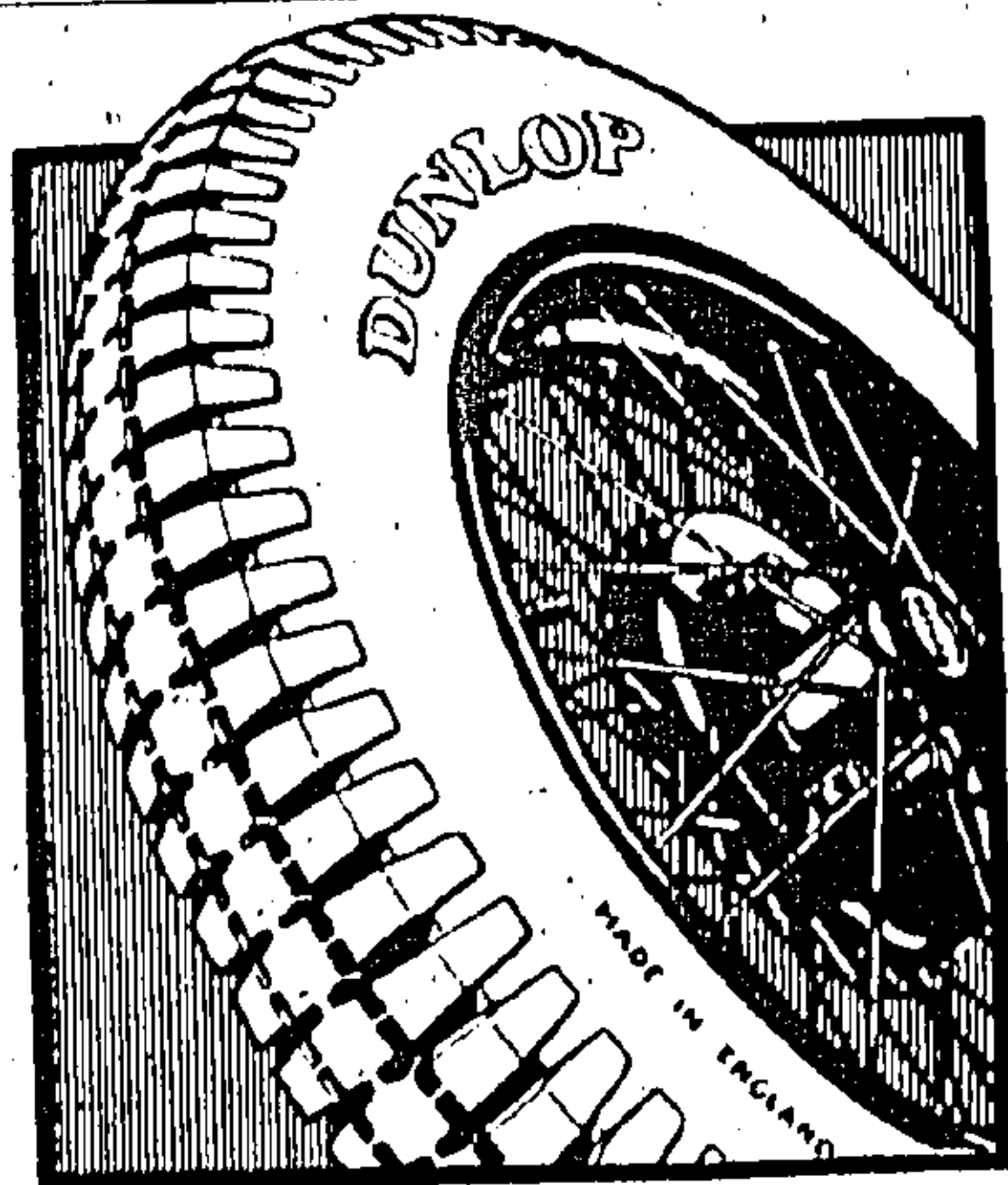
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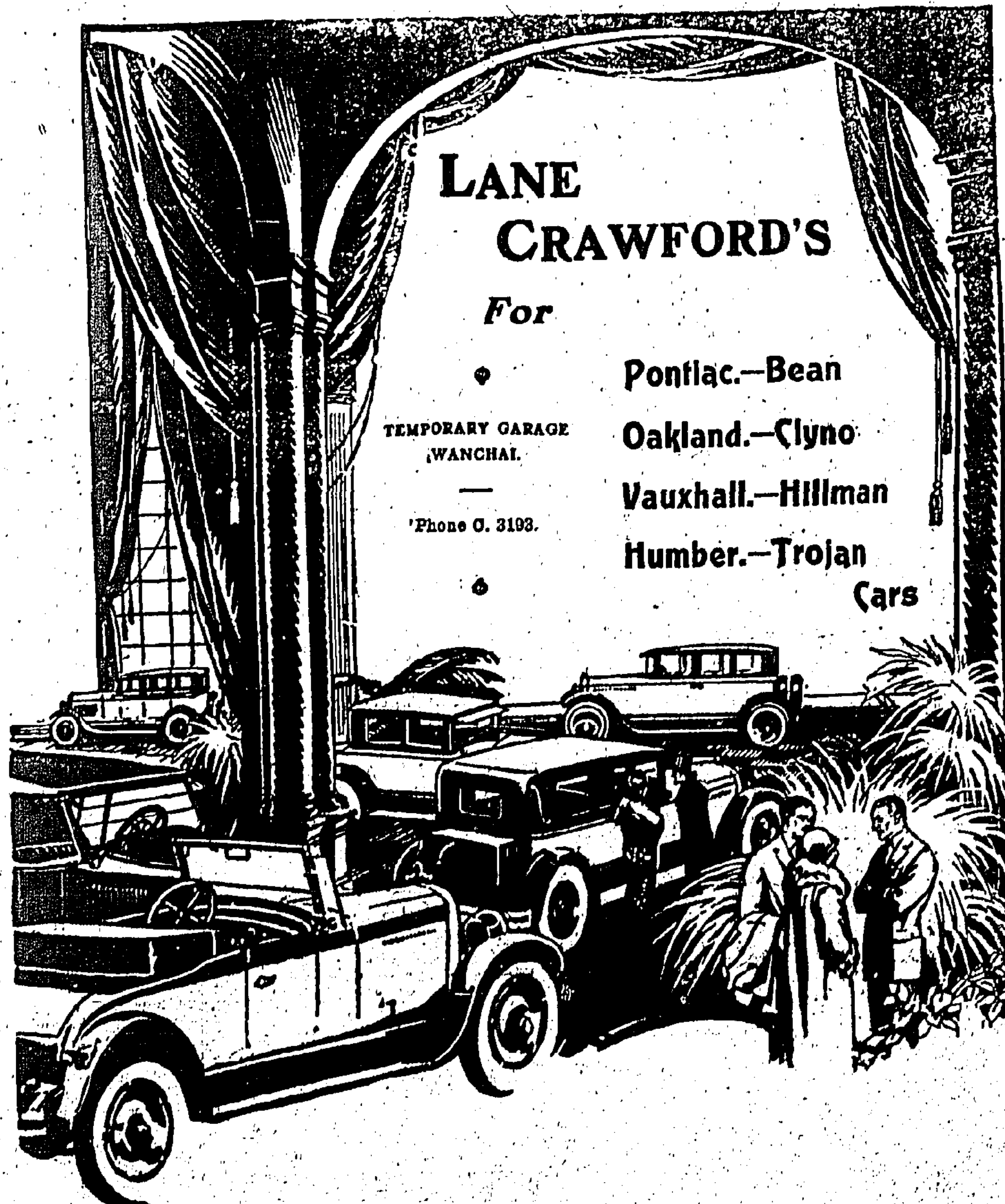
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## MOTOR NOTES FROM GREAT BRITAIN.

### British Commercial Vehicles on Show.

[Special Report to The Hongkong Telegraph by R.A.C.]

Quite a number of the leading British manufacturers of commercial motor vehicles took the opportunity presented by the Scottish Show at Glasgow of exhibiting their latest products as there is no exhibition of this nature in London this year. The range shown was a very fairly representative one and on the passenger-carrying side included practically every type of vehicle, even that very modern production the sleeping coach.

#### Up to Date Practice.

With works actually situated in Glasgow it was only natural to find Albion vehicles particularly well represented. This concern is probably responsible for the most extensive range turned out by any British commercial vehicle manufacturer and the various types are well known in many parts of the world. The 30 cwt. model with its 24 h.p. engine and 4-speed gearbox is of a type that appeals to a large number of users; the 24 h.p. engine is, incidentally, fitted also to the 25 cwt. and 30 cwt. models and some idea of the popularity of these vehicles is gained when it is said that no less than 30 Overseas Governments figure on the list of users of 24 h.p. Albions.

The latest Albion passenger chassis is the Viking which has a new 6-cylinder engine rated at 36 h.p., but actually developing over 90 h.p. With a powerful engine unit of this nature the most efficient means of deceleration are obviously essential and therefore a six brake system has been standardised. The foot brake operates through vacuum servo mechanism on all four wheels while the hand brake works a separate set of expanding shoes in the rear wheel drums.

Of the Leyland exhibits probably chief interest centred on the two new models making their first public appearance—the Lioness "Six" and the 70 cwt. vehicle designed for fast goods transport. The Lioness is fitted with the 38.4 h.p. 6-cylinder engine which has proved so successful in the double-decked Titan and single decked Tiger buses. It has an underslung worm-driven rear axle of semi-floating type and Dewandre-assisted four-wheel brakes.

The engine of the Leyland 70 cwt. is rated at 33.3 h.p. and is stated to have a remarkable top gear performance running smoothly at speeds varying from 200 to 2,000 r.p.m. Oil pressure is automatically controlled by the throttle between 5-70 lb. per sq. inch.

#### Splendid Reliability.

For years past Commer vehicles have enjoyed a fine reputation for reliability and long service and very big mileages stand to their credit. As a typical instance one user's report of performance with a fleet of 35 of these buses over a period of 6 months during which half a million miles were covered was laudatory but convincing: "27,000 complete journeys, but not one breakdown. The latest models from the Luton works should certainly enhance this reputation. At Glasgow there was a bus shown mounted on the 4 P.F. chassis with the driver beside the engine. This high efficiency engine develops 63 h.p. at 1,600 r.p.m. and a maximum approaching 90 h.p. Dewandre-operated brakes on all four wheels and Marles steering gear are further features of a very up-to-date chassis.

#### Reductions in Price.

Owing to the increase in the output of the Dennis 30 cwt. model to 100 chassis a week, as a result of the completion of the new factory at Guildford, considerable reductions have been made in the price of this model, as well as various other goods and passenger types fitted with pneumatic tyres.

At Glasgow a very striking exhibit was the 19-seater all-weather coach on a Dennis G type chassis. This was fitted with an ingenious roof so that by turning a handle a fabric section down the centre was opened and folded up at the back. Passengers could thus enjoy fresh air and that wider outlook which is so desirable particularly in hilly country.

An excellent example of British practice in fast passenger vehicles was to be found in the all-weather coach shown on a Star Flyer to seat 24 people. The 6-cylinder engine has a 7-bearing crankshaft and, besides being particularly free from vibration, gives very good acceleration. A 4-speed gearbox is fitted and four-wheel brakes, while the design of the chassis gives a very low load line. It may be remembered that Ibn Saud, the King of the Hejaz, uses

a fleet of Star Flyers for work in the desert.

#### For the Export Markets.

Thornycroft vehicles have been well known in many Overseas countries for a number of years and are being exported in ever increasing numbers. At the recent annual meeting of the firm it was disclosed that no less than 50 per cent. of their motor vehicle business last year consisted of exports. As indicating how widespread these exports are it is instructive to note that among recent orders are 8 chassis for Sydney N.S.W., 10 buses for Canton; 3 chassis for Egypt and a six-wheeler for the Sudan.

One of the exhibits at Glasgow was a Thornycroft J. J. type of 6-tonner on pneumatics. During a recent series of carefully observed runs with vehicles of this type a mileage of at least 6 m.p.g. was achieved when carrying full loads of 6 tons with trailer loads in addition varying from 3½ to 6½ tons. Average speeds of 17 to 20 m.p.h. were maintained, too, varying with weather and traffic conditions.

For loads of 10 tons the Lutli type N.T.P. lorry and trailer is being widely employed. The lorry itself is constructed to carry 5 tons and to haul a further 5 tons on the trailer and includes a number of features of direct interest to overseas users. The engine is of 27.3 h.p. and forms a unit with the gearbox. There are 5 forward speeds and two differentials are carried in the gearbox casing. A third is carried in a casing bolted to the rear of the chassis frame. The drive is transmitted through the longitudinal differential to the forward and rear differentials and thence by universally jointed driving shafts to the external toothed final reduction gears which are lockable from the driving seat. On the rear of the chassis frame a spring towing hook is mounted.

A further point of interest to users in hot climates is the large capacity radiator and water circulating pump. A centrifugal governor limits the engine revolutions to 1,200 r.p.m.

The biggest exhibit at the Scottish Show was the Scammell articulated 8-wheeler which was first shown at Olympia last year. The tractor unit has a 70 h.p. engine. This immense vehicle is intended for loads of 15 to 17 tons and, by reason of the design of the oscillating double carrier axles which maintain the wheels in constant contact with the road, the rolling resistance is amazingly low and road shocks are reduced to a minimum. In a 50 miles run over second class roads as much as 132 ton miles per gallon have been obtained.

#### Remarkable Value.

Apart from the now famous 6-wheeler which has won distinction far and wide the latest product of Morris Commercial Cars has evoked very considerable interest. This is known as the Super 30 cwt. truck and it is being sold as a chassis, "ex works," at the remarkably low price of £230 with pneumatic tyres. A Lucas 5 lamp lighting set and self starter are included at this figure. It is significant that the British General Post Office have placed orders for several hundred Morris-Commercial vans of varying capacities for P.O. work. Each of these is fitted with a special locking device so that the rear doors can only be unfasted from the driver's seat.

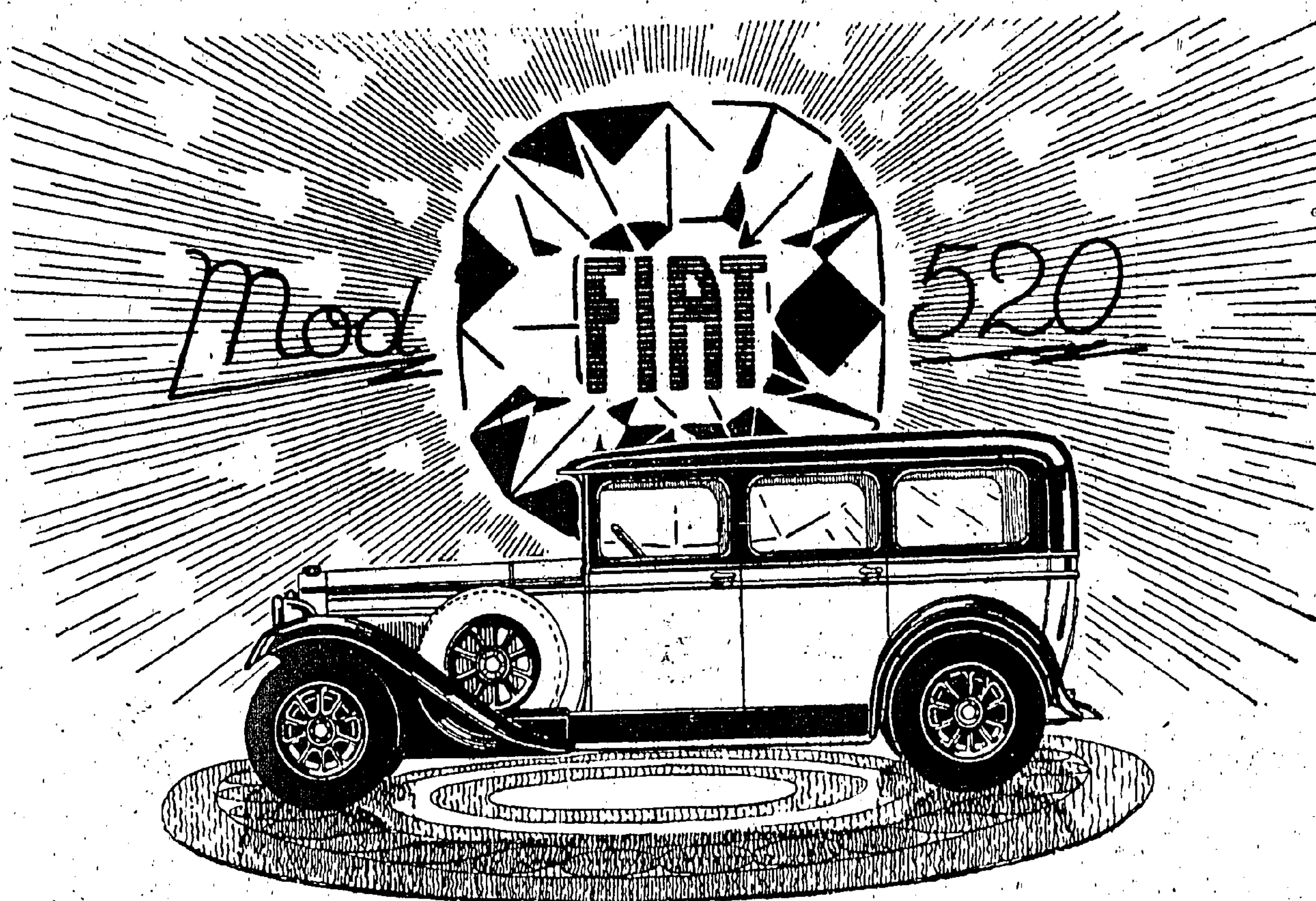
Singers have just placed on the market a very neat little delivery van for loads of 6 cwt. The chassis is a specially strengthened edition of the Singer Junior with overhead camshaft engine, four wheel brakes and so on. The coachbuilt body shown at Glasgow was fitted with a sliding communication door at the back of the driver's seat and double doors at the rear. The interior is 4 ft. long, 3 ft. 11 in. wide and 3 ft. 10 in. high. Like the private car, the van is capable of 40-45 m.p.g.

#### The Railways and Road Services.

With a view to exploiting to the full their road transport services under the powers of the new Bill the big railway companies have recently placed large orders with leading commercial vehicle manufacturers. The Great Western Railway, for instance, have placed an order with the Associated Equipment Co. for 94 chassis. These will be fitted with A.E.C. 35-50 h.p. engines and are of the forward-control type. Yet another railway order for the same concern is for 23 chassis of 28 h.p. 2-ton type for the London and North Eastern Railway.

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During the year one of the most controversial matters in the motor world has been the invention of the Humphrey-Sapdberg free wheel for motor cars.

In view of the discussion that has taken place it is interesting to note that a fleet of 14 Jowett cars fitted with this device has been delivered to Scotland Yard. To avoid altering the standard gear box the free wheel is a separate fitting mounted at the rear end of the gear box immediately in front of the forward end of the propeller shaft. An additional control lever is fitted, and when it is placed in a forward position it locks the free wheel so that the drive is solid in the ordinary way.

tween London and Cheltenham inaugurated by the Great Western Railway, the vehicles used for the Oxford-Cheltenham road section are Thornycroft 15-seater all-weather coaches. The A.S. chassis employed has a 6-cylinder engine developing 60 h.p. at 1,500 r.p.m. Servo-assisted brakes operate on all four wheels.

A chassis for long distance work with a number of features which commend it to operators of passenger services is the Tilling-Stevens "Express." From records available it is apparent that the success of this type is largely due to the combination of ample power and low petrol consumption. At 1,500 r.p.m. the engine develops 63.6 h.p. but, showing how economical the power unit is, a 32-seater bus has covered 448 miles of country roads with stiff gradients on 33½ gallons or over 13 m.p.g.

## OLD CARS.

The Personal Factor.

### STUDYING HABITS.

[By Israel Klein.]

As the automobile gets older, the personal factor creeps in further. The character of the owner or driver has much to do with the proper care of his car. It shows up with age.

For example, a good character expert can read a driver's personality by the finish of his automobile and the way the motor runs. He can tell how careless or careful an owner has been with his car by merely taking a ride in it and noting its defects.

As a result, a good character or mind reader need only study the person with whom he may be dealing to tell whether his automobile is worth the price he asks for it in a sale.

By studying the habits and practices of the average automobile owner, therefore, insurance companies and automotive dealers have standardized the appraisal of used cars. They have determined the average mileage of the average automobile, for the length of life the average motorist would keep it, as being about 30,000 miles. They have set definite depreciation ratios on models, for each year of their lives, and so determined the actual value of each type car.

For instance, the average automobile, they say, will depreciate 20 per cent in three months, 42 per cent in a year, 64 per cent in two years and 78 per cent in three years. If it has been run its allotted 30,000 miles before the three years are over, its depreciation is so much greater, say the statisticians.

But they still have to consider the personality of the driver, and here's where you come in.

A man who neglects his car to the extent of keeping the polishing rag off the body, will be looked upon with suspicion as to the rest of the automobile when he turns it in for sale. The appearance of the car goes a long way toward making a profitable sale, or exchange, when the time comes to get a new car.

For the dealer seeing a neat-looking, though old, automobile before him, reasons that the owner has taken as good care of the working parts of his car as he has of the outside. And this has been found true to a considerable extent.

Curiously enough, it isn't the engine that breaks down first. In fact, the motor is the last to go.

The first part of the car to break down under wear is the frame or chassis. Next comes the body, next the clutch, then the differential and transmission and last the motor. That's how engineers figure the wear and tear on automobiles, and that's how dealers are guided in appraising the value of a used car.

So, if the body bolts are kept tight, especially after a long run, and the body itself is kept clean and neat inside and out, it's a safe bet that the rest of the car—the working parts—have been cared for proportionately and need little adjustment.

Of course, after the car has gone 20,000 miles the motor may need regrounding and new pistons, slightly oversize, may have to be fitted. But that is almost to be expected on the average automobile, and therefore does not reflect upon the character of the driver.

But if the clutch or the transmission or the motor have to be repaired in any serious way before this mileage has been reached, the cause of this work may most likely be attributed to the driver.

## A COMMON ERROR.

When Too Much Carbon.

LACK OF POWER.

[By Israel Klein.]

One error modern motorists fall into is that of depending on a "doped" gasoline to clean out the carbon of their engines.

No anti-knock fuel is intended for that purpose. It's merely a chemical that assures perfect and complete combustion of the fuel mixture.

By its use there is greater fuel economy, no detonation, no crankcase dilution and more power.

But to expect such anti-knock chemicals to clean out carbonized cylinders is to expect too much.

With carbon in the cylinder heads and atop the pistons, anti-knock fuel will merely prevent detonation. The carbon will remain until it is cleaned out. If there isn't too much of it, it may even be helpful toward perfect combustion and high power, for the carbon remains hot even after the charge in the chamber is fired and serves to heat up the next charge.

Anti-knock chemicals, usually consist of fine particles that ignite almost immediately upon firing of the spark plug; scatter quickly through the entire fuel mixture and serve to ignite the entire charge of fuel and air almost instantaneously. The result is that there is no waste of fuel, and especially that none is left behind to heat up, and ignite the next incoming charge before the spark has been fired. This is how detonation results from incompletely exploded fuel charges, and this is why there is no detonation with the use of anti-knock gasoline.

Carbon in the cylinders, however, should be removed before resorting to anti-knock fuels. It

should be scraped out preferably to being burned or removed with chemicals.

A little carbon rather helps the engine than injures it. It increases compression, and if it weren't for the detonation resulting from too much carbon, carbon would be a help to the engine. But as soon as detonation results, it is time to clean out the carbon.

This may be discovered especially when pulling up hill or getting started on high.

When there is too much carbon in the engine, also, the exhaust valves will stick, since the carbon will form on the stems. When this becomes serious and compression becomes irregular, there will be further proof that the valves aren't seating properly, are burned and warped.

Now it is high time to clean out the carbon, and in addition have the valves ground and the engine tuned up. Continuing to run despite sticking and warped valves is to endanger the engine to such a point as to render it incapable of further performance.

If the engine is neglected altogether as to carbon, small particles of the carbon will lodge down alongside the pistons and score the cylinder walls. The result of this is lack of power and diluted crankcase oil.

As soon as power is lost on climbing a hill with the spark up, and detonation results, the motorist is warned that the engine has become carbonized. This may be stopped for a while by the use of anti-knock fuel, but eventually the carbon should be scraped out, or full efficiency of the motor will not be obtained.

Many engineers recommend that the engine be cleaned of carbon at every 10,000 miles, although it is best to do this when the engine begins to show signs of uneven compression, burning or sticky valves and serious detonation.



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## "NEW FORD FEATURES."

### No. 10.—The Piston.

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must be designed to permit ready transfer to the cylinder walls of the heat absorbed by the piston head.

The new Model A Ford piston is made of special aluminum alloy, and its design is unusual in a number of ways. Aluminum alloy has been adopted for the reason that it is light, and consequently the inertia forces are reduced. Reduced inertia forces result in a

proportional reduction in bearing loads and bearing wear.

The thermal conductivity of aluminum alloy is very much greater than that of cast iron. Aluminum is capable of dissipating heat far more rapidly than other piston metals, and hence the risk of overheating is much reduced. This gives the engine the ability to run at high speed, and enables it to do so for prolonged periods without overheating and falling off in power output.

The piston head, carrying the three rings, is, to all intents and purposes, separate from the skirt. It is, however, attached to it by sturdy ribs. The construction is such that distortion and bending are impossible. The skirt is split on one face giving it flexibility so that it will conform to the shape of the cylinder wall when heat tends to expand it. The bottom ring acts as a scraper, and after the oil has lubricated the skirt, the major portion of it is scraped off and it returns to the oil pan by way of the slot that exists between the piston and the skirt.

Some of it, on the way down, lubricates the piston pin. This pin, by the way, is of large diameter. It is hollow and held in place by a ring let into the centre of the connecting rod. It allows the pin free rotational movement, prevents the scoring of cylinder walls. A dipper in the cap of the big end of the connecting rod insures thorough lubrication of the bearings. The connecting rods on the new Ford are designed to provide lightness and strength. The bolts on the big end are made integral with the rod, and the cap is clamped on with two nuts. This makes the rod lighter than if through bolts were used.

## TYRE EXPORTS GAIN.

### U.S. Trade to Italy.

Exports of automotive rubber goods from the United States to Italy for the first nine months of 1928 increased more than 341 per cent over the same period of 1927. The returns for this period total nearly \$4,500,000.

## GREAT BRITISH MOTOR COMBINE.

### The Development of Overseas Markets.

The details of a proposed amalgamation between well known British motor firms are now revealed and are obviously of the very greatest importance to the Overseas markets. There have been for some two or three years many rumours of amalgamation, but never has there arisen a group until now capable of grappling with the tremendous complications involved, or of sinking their individual ambitions sufficiently to bring about a combination that would be commercially sound and of national benefit.

Proposals for ratification are being put before the Humber shareholders of an amalgamation between the Humber, Hillman and Commer concerns. This is the foundation on which one may hope to see the development of a group in the British Motor Industry capable of competing successfully with the powerful foreign competition in the World's markets. A feature of this enterprise is that the work has been done quietly and steadily behind the scenes, and not until a policy had been thrashed out and all details completed, has the world been notified of this far-reaching enterprise, the results of which are bound to make British Trade history.

It is obvious that this amalgamation will carry with it, particularly on account of the geographical situation of the factories, great economies of purchase, general administration and production methods, as well as improved facilities for pooling research and experimental knowledge.

The programme ahead of this new organisation will be an aggressive one. It intends to make the utmost use of the Hillman, Humber and Commer factories and to utilise the 80 acres of factory and land available for extensions to the best possible advantage. Their ideas as regards development will always be focussed on imperial and international markets for they are strong believers in the immense possibilities ahead. The export activities, in their entirety, will be undertaken by Messrs. Rootes Ltd., who are the largest merchandisers of motor cars in the world. They have a worldwide export organisation and connection and are responsible for the growing popularity of the Hillman car in the overseas markets.

The productions of the group include non-competitive products ranging from 9 h.p. passenger cars up to 8-ton lorries. On the car manufacturing side of the business the factory facilities are unique as the Humber and Hillman works actually adjoin one another. For example the former possesses excellent foundries but little stamping facilities, while the latter possesses very good stamping shops and no foundries. This in itself, only one small item shows what possibilities the blending together of these two organisations offers. The Commercial vehicles will, of course, be manufactured at the Commer factory at Luton, which is ideally situated close to London, whence the main activities of commercial sales undoubtedly radiate.

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A world car show in New York City is a prospect for the year 1929. A formal offer of space for exhibiting purposes has been made to European manufacturers for next year's show at the Grand Central Palace through the Permanent Bureau of International Automobile Constructors in Paris, by the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce. In the event that foreign manufacturers accept the invitation it is proposed to set aside a total of 11,000 square feet of floor space to accommodate the imported exhibits.

**TRAFFIC** Officer: What's the big idea, miss? Don't you know you can't make anything but a right hand turn at this corner?  
Miss: But, officer, I'm left-handed.

**SINCE** the completion of the new Holland tunnel under the Hudson River, connecting New York and New Jersey, automobiles ferries are reported to have lost nearly 50 per cent. of their business.

**A** ruling by the U. S. Supreme Court says that a motorist who crosses a railroad crossing, depending on his hearing or signal to escape danger, and takes no further precaution to protect his life and property, does so at his own risk.

**SHE:** Freddie hasn't been out an evening or taken a drink for three weeks.  
**HE:** Turned over a new leaf?  
**SHE:** No! Turned over a new car.

**ACCORDING** to the Automobile Club of Southern California, one automobile in every sixteen is involved in an accident annually, resulting in the death or injury of some person.

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## THE CHILDREN'S BOXING DAY.

A Christmas Play.

## Characters:

Jack, aged 8. Teddie, any age.  
Peggy, aged 10. Tommy, any age.  
Mother. Nellie.  
Daddy (who is Father Christmas).  
A Nurse.

## SCENE I.

Scene: A schoolroom, bright and cosy, with fire burning and lights lit. In the middle of the room is a table, at which are seated two children—a boy of eight, who is drawing, and a girl of ten, who is reading.

Jack (pushing back his drawing impatiently): I can't do the beastly thing. It won't come right.  
Peggy (looking up from her book, unwilling to be disturbed): I wish you would be quiet, Jack, and let me get on with this story. It's most exciting.

Jack: It's all right for you. You have something to read, but I have read all my books.

Peggy: Well, you had heaps of other presents yesterday. Why don't you play with some of them? Where's your nice new paint-box? Do, please, be quiet, and let me finish this story, then I'll play with you.

Jack: I am tired of all my toys. I wish we could go to the pantomime to-night. Bob and Mike are going, and I think Daddy might take us, too. He said he would.

Peggy: Oh! Jack, you do grumble. You know Mummy said we might go next week instead. Daddy couldn't help having to go to the hospital to-night.

Jack: Next week won't be such fun. Besides— (The door opens, and Mother enters.)

Mother: Hullo! children. I've got a lovely surprise for you. Daddy says you may go to the hospital with him this afternoon. There is to be a party in the children's ward, and Daddy is going to be Father Christmas and give the poor little children some toys. Hurry up and get ready.

Jack (jumping up in a hurry): Hurrah! That will be jolly. Can we give the children some toys, too?

Mother: Looks doubtful, and hesitates. Then she says: I am sure you may if you take some of your own toys with you. I expect you have some you could give away, haven't you, Peggy?

Jack and Peggy make a rush to their toy cupboard and pull the contents out to the floor. Out come books and paint-boxes, bricks, dolls, and toys of all kinds.

Peggy: What time must we start, Mummy?

Mother: Four o'clock, so you will just have one hour to choose your toys and get ready. (Jack and Peggy look through the toys.)

Peggy: Mummy, do you think some little girl would like Joan? (holding up a rather crumpled-looking doll in a pink dress. I think I'm getting too big for dolls, don't you? But I must keep darling old Biddy. (Here she hugs a huge fat doll, who looks as if she has been rather tumbled about.)

Mummy: No! I don't think we can let Biddy go. But what about these books?

Peggy: They can go, but (rather anxiously) may I keep just these two?

Mummy: Of course, dear. Now, Jack, what have you chosen?

Jack: Well, it's rather difficult, but I like them all. Need I give any?

Peggy: Oh! Jack, you are selfish.

Jack (interrupting): Oh, all right. I'll send these. But, Mums, do you think the hospital children will like them and take care of them?

Mummy: I am sure they will. You see, they have to stay in bed all day, and they would feel very lonely if they had nothing to play with. Now make haste, children, and I'll make them into parcels. Fetch me some brown paper and string, please, Peggy. (Mother packs the toys, etc., into parcels, and they all go to get ready.)

## SCENE II.

(A hospital ward—all we can see is three little white beds with a child in each. A Christmas tree is in a corner, gay with sparkling things, and Christmas decorations on the walls. A nurse is standing by a table pouring out tea and cutting up cake. Mother, Peggy, and Jack, wearing outdoor clothes and carrying parcels, enter.)

Jack: Can we give the toys now?

Mother: Not yet, come and speak to Tommy. (Tommy is a tiny little mite sitting up in one of the beds, wearing a paper cap and waving a flag.) Hullo! Tommy, how's your leg?

Tommy (whispering shyly): It's a little better, thank you.

Jack: What did you have in your stocking?

Tommy: A paint-box and a ball and a book and a cracker and an orange. I wish I had had

a humming-top.

(Jack whispers something to Mother, who nods her head. Then he unfurls a parcel and brings out a top.)

Jack: Would you like this one? Tommy (beaming): Oh! thank you. Please make it hum.

(Jack makes it hum, while Mother and Peggy go to talk to Nellie, who is lying in the next bed gazing at a big balloon which is fastened to her bedstead.)

Peggy: What a lovely balloon you have, Nellie. Did you have it yesterday?

Nellie: Yes; Nurse gave it to me. Did you have any Christmas pudding, Miss? I did, and see, I had this in it. (She shows Peggy a three-penny bit.) Do you know, we are having a party this afternoon, and Nurse has written to ask Father Christmas to come.

Do you think he will be able to come back again all this way? (She looks anxiously at Mother.) We didn't see him yesterday, 'cos he was busy in another ward.

Mother (smiling down at her): Yes, I think he will come. But see, here is Nurse with your tea. (She leaves Peggy talking to Nellie while she and Jack go to speak to Teddie in the next bed.) How did you hurt your arm, Teddie?

Teddie (smiling shyly): I fell downstairs and broke it. But I don't mind, it's lovely in the hospital—all warm and lots of things to eat. Oh! Oh!

(Everybody turns as they hear Teddie's exclamation, and the children look delighted. Teddie jumps up and down in bed, Tommy waves his flag more wildly, and there is great excitement.

The cause of all the excitement is the entrance of Father Christmas, who, of course, is Daddy dressed up, with a long white beard.)

Father Christmas: Hullo! Hullo! everybody. A Merry Christmas to you all.

All the children together: A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you.

(Father Christmas goes to the Christmas tree, and with the help of Nurse, cuts down the little parcels and gives them to the children. There is much undying of paper and cutting of string, and excited exclamations.)

Nellie: Oh, Miss, look at my lovely doll! I shall call her Rosie, 'cos she's all in pink.

(Tommy and Teddie are having a concert with a trumpet and a drum, which Father Christmas has just given them.)

Father Christmas: Come along, Jack and Peggy, help me to untie these silver balls.

(At last nothing remains on the tree. Jack and Peggy undo their own parcels, give some to the children, and hand the rest to Nurse to give to other children.)

Teddie: Let's give three cheers for Father Christmas.

Tommy: And the hospital. Hip, hip, hurrah!

Jack, Peggy, and Nellie: Hip, hip, hurrah!

Nurse: Not quite so much noise, children. People are trying to go to sleep in the next ward.

Teddie: Please, Nurse, may we have a concert first—me and Tommy—with the trumpet and the drum?

Nurse: Well, just a little one. I know, let's sing "God Save the King" to finish.

(Tommy blows his trumpet and Teddie beats his drum, and the others sing "God Save the King." Then Nurse starts tidying up.)

Nurse: Say good-night, children. It's nearly time you were asleep.

Nellie, Tommy, and Teddie (altogether): Good-night!

Jack and Peggy: Good-night! (Then they wave their hands and go out, leaving only the three little ones and the Nurse in the ward.)

## SCENE III.

(The schoolroom again. Enter Peggy, Jack, and Mother.)

Peggy: Thank you for taking us, Mummy dear. It was lovely. Wasn't Nellie brave?

Jack: And Tommy and Teddie. They didn't cry a bit. Tell Daddy it was heaps better than the pantomime. Didn't Daddy make a good Father Christmas?

Mother: Splendid! I am so glad you enjoyed it. Here is Daddy coming.

(Jack and Peggy rush up to him and hug him.)

Peggy: Thank you, Daddy, for letting us go to the hospital party. We did enjoy it, but it's horrid for Nellie and the others to be so ill, isn't it? Will they be well again soon?

Daddy: Teddie and Tommy will soon be well enough to go home, but Nellie will have to stay in bed for weeks.

Mother: Poor little girl. We must go again to see her.

Jack: She won't be able to go to see the pantomime, then?

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## IMPROVEMENT NEEDED.

[To The Editor of Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—At all hours there are a good many motor cars, lorries, etc., travelling along Caine Road to Arbuthnot Road and then down Wyndham Street, and—on Hollywood Road and vice versa. If Arbuthnot Road is open to motor traffic, why does not the Public Works Department widen the narrow corner of Arbuthnot Road to Caine Road and/or Arbuthnot Road to Wyndham Street? Especially is this necessary in view of the fact that Arbuthnot Road has no footpath. At the lower end there is a high piece of unprotected waste ground and pedestrians are in danger of falling into Wyndham Street when a motor car approaches, on account of there being no railings.

On the right side of the Arbuthnot Road the stone steps forming a part of the Police Quarters are built into the deep and wide side-channels, thus taking up a portion of the thoroughfare. Moreover, owing to insufficient light, pedestrians using the Arbuthnot Road are in great danger during hours of darkness when motor-cars approach.

I trust that the authorities will give this matter their earnest attention. Yours, etc.,

A. RESIDENT.

Hongkong, December 21st, 1928.

Daddy: No! I am afraid none of them will be well enough for that.

Jack: I wish we could take the pantomime to them.

Peggy (excitedly): Oh! I have a lovely idea. Do listen, Jack. Let's set up a pantomime and act it for them.

Jack: How can we act a pantomime, silly?

Peggy: I'm not silly. You are a silly little boy and don't understand. Why can't we act "Cinderella, or 'The Sleeping Beauty,'" or one of those old fairy stories. Daddy will make it into a play for us, won't you, Daddy? And Mummy make the dresses?

Daddy: Steady, Peggy, wait a minute. Who is going to act with you? You and Jack cannot do a play by yourselves.

Jack (getting excited too): Bob, and Mike, and Chris, and Peter—

Peggy (interrupting): And Joan, and Betty, and Pam. Oh! we can get lots to help.

Jack (teaching hold of Mac, his dog, in his arms): You'll be "Pass in Boots," won't you?

Daddy: Mac would simply hate to be a cat. He'll have to be the Beast who turns into the Fairy Prince.

Mother: I think you are all getting a little mixed. But it's quite a good idea, Peggy. To-morrow we'll look up a suitable story, then you can have all the friends you want to tea in the afternoon, and afterwards we'll have our first rehearsal, if Daddy has time to make it into a play for us.

Peggy: How simply gorgeous! If we work hard it won't take long to learn, will it?

Mother: No; you ought to be able to do it before the end of the holidays. Now come and have supper, it's nearly bedtime.

Jack: It has been the loveliest Boxing Day I have ever had.

The End.

## FANLING HUNT.

## PONIES CHANCES FOR TO-DAY REVIEWED.

[By "Ringtail."]

There is a good deal of discussion about the relative merits of the contenders who will be appearing at the Christmas Meeting of the Fanling Hunt which is to take place at Kwantli Racecourse this afternoon.

A very substantial entry has been received for each event, and, with one exception, nothing seems to be sticking out as was the case in most races last season.

The Services will be well represented this afternoon both in regard to owners and jockeys.

Major Lake has acquired two fine ponies which he is confident will give the best of the runners at Fanling something to think about at this afternoon's meet.

Mr. Col. Comyn has a couple of very likely-looking customers also, and if I am not mistaken, his name will figure amongst the winning owners at the close of the day's fun.

Mr. Mattingly will be well represented by his stable and a surprise for many will be the news that Mr. Erskine, of the 2nd Batt. Scots Guards, will be with us this afternoon and will be riding free-lance for some of the well-represented stables.

Dr. F. Pierce Grove, the Clerk of the Course, declares that the course was never in better condition than it is at the present moment, which should have the effect of living up the times.

The curtain-raiser should provide a race full of thrills, as there are a number of good ponies entered, if they take kindly to the business and complete the course. Providing Solitaire arrives from Canton he should have a very good chance in the first race, also As You Like It and Grey Eyes, who will be ridden by Mr. Erskine, who has been doing quite a lot of cross-country work at Shanghai and should therefore be in great trim for to-day's meet.

Tarzall should have a very good chance in the second race, in which case will have to jump a lot of overweight, which may cramp his style.

James Pigg, in the light of past performances, looks a good thing for the Heavyweight Race, and, with the assistance of Dumbell, who is out to revenge a defeat at the last meeting, fans should see an interesting result to their final effort. Other ponies who will bear inspection are Durham and Tap Sinc.

Ace of Spades is the only pony, in my opinion, who is sticking out in front at the last meeting. Mowgli will have a busy time trying to keep him in sight during the early part of the race, as he is such a fine beginner. Still, if the honest little skew is anywhere within striking distance at the bend, he will give us a very good display.

Little River or Siang River will probably make up the rest of the field.

My Lady is the newest arrival at the jumps and if her practice work is any criterion as to her ability, she will take a lot of beating this afternoon. Aristophanes, who will be ridden by the crack steeplechase rider, Dr. Reidy, may possibly give us a good display. Lock Rannock will also be doing his stuff and with Fire Call in the hands of Mr. Mattingly this should be an interesting event to watch.

The last race will depend a great deal on the condition of the pony and whether he is equal to making a second appearance. I am inclined

(Continued on Next Column.)

## The Very Idea!

Marshals Joffre, Franchet d'Espercy, Petain and Lyautey are discussing a project—so, before them as members of a special army Commission—to reform the uniform of French generals, which, it is agreed, has little to commend it at present but its inexpensiveness.

A general's uniform, in peace time at least, France has decided, must be—

"magnificent," as an encouragement to young recruits; "elegant," to maintain French prestige abroad;

"distinguished," in order that its wearer may not be confused with junior officers.

The existing uniform is of light blue.

A report is to be presented to M. Painleve, Minister of the Army, for a final ruling. Meanwhile there is some difference of opinion among the members of the Commission.

Marshals Franchet d'Espercy and Lyautey agree with a number of generals that light blue is an impractical colour, and "lacks distinction." Marshal Petain votes for something new, provided the pre-war three-cornered plumed hat is not resurrected.

After long debate, the Commission has ruled out "full dress," consisting of a black or red tunic with tight-fitting white leather breeches, as being "too theatrical and too expensive."

A uniform of navy blue, with gold lace at cuffs and collar and a belt of bright colour, will, it is expected, be adopted.

Defendant at Epping: I don't wish him any harm, but I hope the next time he goes out in his car he will break his neck.

Willesden Woman: Feeling I needed a little refreshment and having sixpence in my hand and just happening to pass a public-house I naturally just went in and had a glass of stout.

Man sent to prison at Hull for refusing to work at the workhouse: There are three things open to me: to walk about streets destitute, to go into the workhouse, or to go to prison, and of the three evils I choose prison.

Woman at Willesden: She threatened to murder me on the 12th. The Clerk: And has she done it yet? Woman: Not yet.

"Wait," asks a reader of a Home paper, "would be the price of eggs per dozen if by getting two more for a shilling they would be one penny per dozen less?" We will anticipate the scornful remarks of those readers who happen to be chartered accountants by admitting that the problem is a simple one. But what percentage of plain ordinary people could solve it off-hand?

(Why is it that the law must complicate almost beyond solution the simple things of life? asks John English.)

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And "Aforeaid abutting messages."

But the thing that's clear as the end draws near.

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Paddy was seeking to work his passage from America on a tramper.

"And have you ever been to sea before?" the captain asked.

"Sure now," Paddy answered, "and do you think I came over from Ireland in a cab?"

A fairy tale, entitled "Force of Habit." The doctor placed the thermometer in the flapper patient's mouth.

She took it between her fingers, yawned, and asked for a match.

to the belief that Borderer will perform all right, likewise Dumbell if he is started in the event of being beaten by James Pigg. Solitaire may go again, also Tarzall and Tap Sinc. This race will provide a lot of interest and should be a nifty affair.

My selections are:

1st Race.—1st, Grey Eyes; 2nd, As You Like It; 3rd, Tarzall or Solitaire.

2nd Race.—1st, Dumbell; 2nd, James Pigg; 3rd, Cnesar.

3rd Race.—1st, Ace of Spades; 2nd, Mowgli; 3rd, Little River.

4th Race.—1st, My Lady; 2nd, Caviare; 3rd, Lock Rannock.

5th Race.—1st, Borderer; 2nd, Grey Eyes or Cnesar; 3rd, Crat-gavad.



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It is of great significance to observe that during the 1928 Season the Dunlop Ball has been widely used throughout the whole of Europe.

It was unanimously selected for the Inter-Zone Final played at Paris, between the United States of America and Italy, and again by France in defending the Davis Cup.

An added lustre is given to this success by reason of the fact that in Mexico, Lacoste, Borotra, Cochet and Brugnon, we see four of the world's best and fastest players.

One may be sure that such players as these would not have agreed to play the Challenge Round with any ball but the best, more especially as France was defending a trophy, for which she had fought with indomitable spirit for fourteen years before the efforts of her team, consisting of the "Famous Four," were crowned with success by their great victory over the United States of America last year.

It is worth mentioning here that for the first time in the history of the Davis Cup, the Challenge Round has been played on Hard Courts, which proves without a doubt that the Dunlop Ball can be played with equally satisfactory results on either Grass or Hard Courts.

Another outstanding test of the merit of the ball is again furnished by France. France is selected for the purpose of illustration, because that nation is at the forefront in World Tennis.

Quite apart from the "Famous Four," who comprise the French Davis Cup Team, there is a powerful second line of attack which might challenge comparison with the reserves of any country in the world. In short, France is crowded with young and brilliant players.

During the 1928 season, the Dunlop Ball has been adopted for no less than 204 Tournaments in France, as against 151 last year.

It is not easy to appreciate such incredible testimony to the headway made in what is certainly the greatest Tennis centre in Europe.

But the spontaneous recognition of the merits of the Dunlop Ball does not come from France alone.

Germany has used the Dunlop Ball this year in no less than 108 Tournaments. These comprised all the principal Tournaments of Germany, and now, towards the end of the season, the Dunlop Ball was selected for the German National Championships, played at Hamburg, August 1st, 1928.

We may now take a somewhat hurried survey of the development in other countries:

Great Britain and Ireland.—Irish Championships, South of Ireland Championship, Ulster Hard Court Championship, Northern (Liverpool), Edgbaston, Southampton, West of England Championship, Bournemouth Hard Court Championship and 73 others.

Argentina.—Argentine Championship, River Plate Championship, Championship of the Southern Suburbs of Buenos Aires and six others.

## LOCAL BILLIARDS.

CRAIGENGOWER TEAM  
DEFEATED.

An interesting billiards match took place at the Craigenower Club last night, between the St. Joseph's College Old Boys' Association and the Craigenower, and resulted in a win for the St. Joseph's by a margin of 50 points.

At the fifth game the St. Joseph's were down one point, leaving the last game to decide the match, in which Mr. Barradas played up to his best and won the game for the St. Joseph's. Scores:

Craigenower	
I. M. Razack	189
E. Zimmer	200
A. A. Rodriguez	200
A. Kitchell	145
D. Fritz	200
A. J. Riberio	183
N. Mow Fung	149
	1,066

## St. Joseph's.

A. J. M. Rodriguez Jr.	200
A. A. Rodriguez	152
S. M. Cruz Jr.	200
M. A. Baptista	164
C. F. Vaz	200
V. M. Barradas	200
	1,116

## YACHTING NOTES.

PROSPECTS FOR THE  
MACAO RACE.

[By "Chau Kung"]

On Sunday next the Club will sail the first of the two parts of the annual match against the Army, and the Army succeeded during the week in "passing it" to the Senior Service, who have already won the first "leg" of their contest with the Club. I anticipate that the Club will rise to the occasion and show the Soldiers "how."

The annual race round the Island on Sunday last was the second race for the Cruiser Championship, and "Cruiser," by getting second place to "U and I," is consolidating her position in the "prize money." With the points she got for her "first" in the race round Lamma she now has a fair lead; for the boats which were second and third in the Lamma race did not do so well round the Island. "Wanderer," which I saw was described in one report as the "laggard of the fleet," did very well till her top-mast went over the side. She seemed to be footing it as fast as "La Cigale," though it must be admitted the latter had not been up on the slip for some time.

When "Wanderer's" sails have stretched and she is enabled to trim her sheets somewhat more correctly, I think she will be found always in the first three or four of the fleet. Great credit was due to her skipper, Mr. Grist, and his crew, which contained Mr. Shields, the Club's Commodore, for the workmanlike manner in which they cleared away the wreckage and jury rigged the yacht to enable a topsail to be set and so complete the course.

## Race to Macao.

The Boxing Day race to Macao over a course of 70 miles will see a very good turn out, as I understand the following will be waiting to start on the morning of Dec. 26 on Wednesday morning next:—"La Cigale," "Azuma," "U and I," "Isis," "Wanderer," "Norsemann," "Queen Bee," "Feathers," "Curlew," "Typhoon," "Coquette," and possibly "Lady Jean."

The mark boat off Macao is very kindly being put in motion by the Netherland Harbour Co. and will carry the Club's ensign by day and display 3 lights—green—white—green—by night.

Members are reminded that they must carry a lifebelt for each member of their crew and show the usual navigation lights—a white light at masthead and stern—when under way during darkness. Members who require extra lifebelts may obtain them from the Club No. 1 after Sunday next, spare belts having been made available through the kindness of Capt. Davidson, R.N.R., of the Canadian Pacific Co. The limit for the race has been set at 1 a.m. of Friday, December 28, but with anything like a breeze I anticipate the first boat being back near to midnight of Boxing Day.

With the "Time on Time" system of handicapping a close finish will probably result, and I rather fancy "Queen Bee," "La Cigale," "Feathers" if there be a good breeze.

"Coquette," if the wind is N. W., and then backs after the fleet have rounded at Macao, to make it a peg to windward all the way home, will be in the picture, but who knows?—"Awful deeds are done under the cover of darkness"—and perhaps that crew of pirates on the "U and I" may shake the lot. She is to carry three or four holders of extra master certificates, I believe. Would not the Gods laugh if she stuck on the putty off Sau Chau?—Hi Yah!!!

## SCHOOL CRICKET.

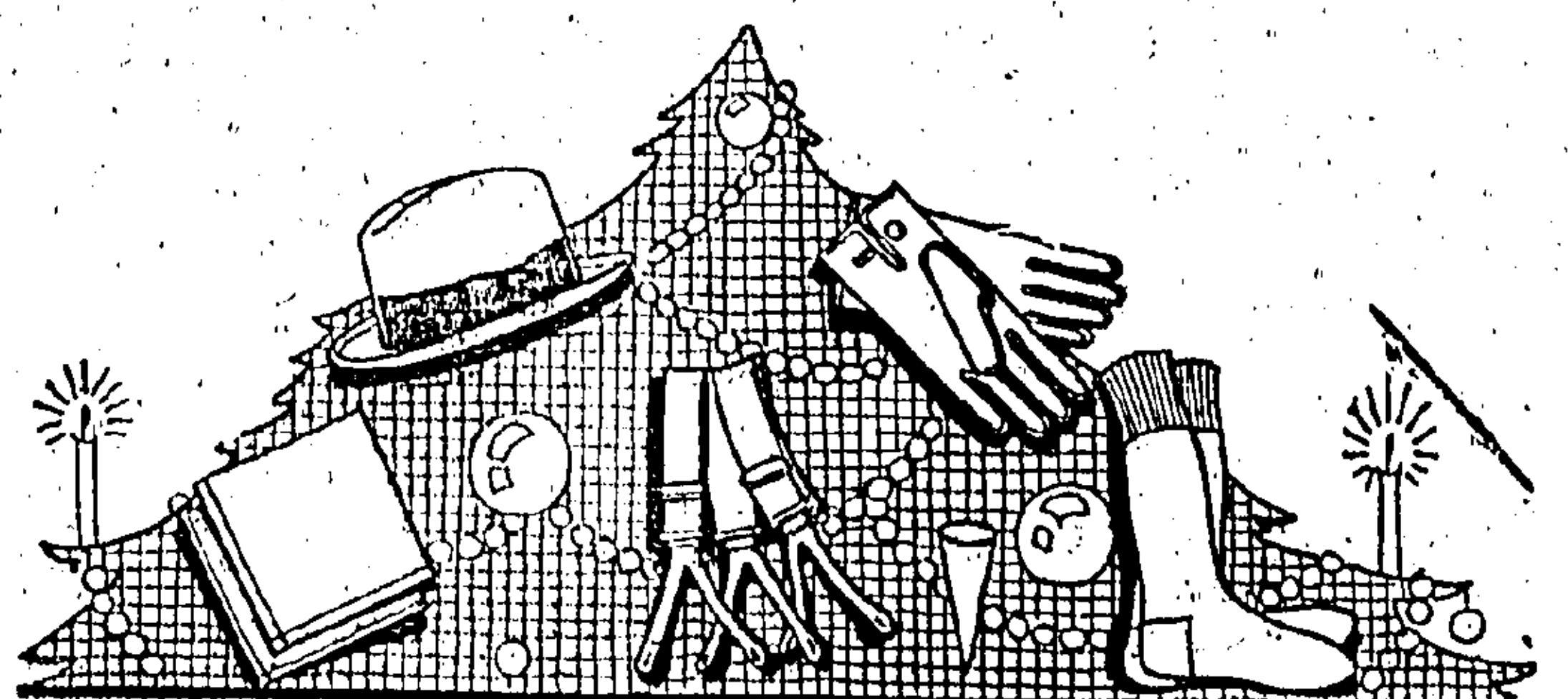
On the University ground on Wednesday, a team of twelve captained by Mr. Ponsonby Fane met a like number of players of the Diocesan Boys' School. It was a close contest, the former team scoring 125 and the latter a like number for ten wickets when stumps were drawn.

The Diocesan Boys' School easily defeated the R.A.M.C. on Friday, on the school ground, scoring 150 for five wickets, against a total of 62 for the Army team. D. J. N. Anderson retired with 70 to his credit.

## THE HOCKEY CLUB.

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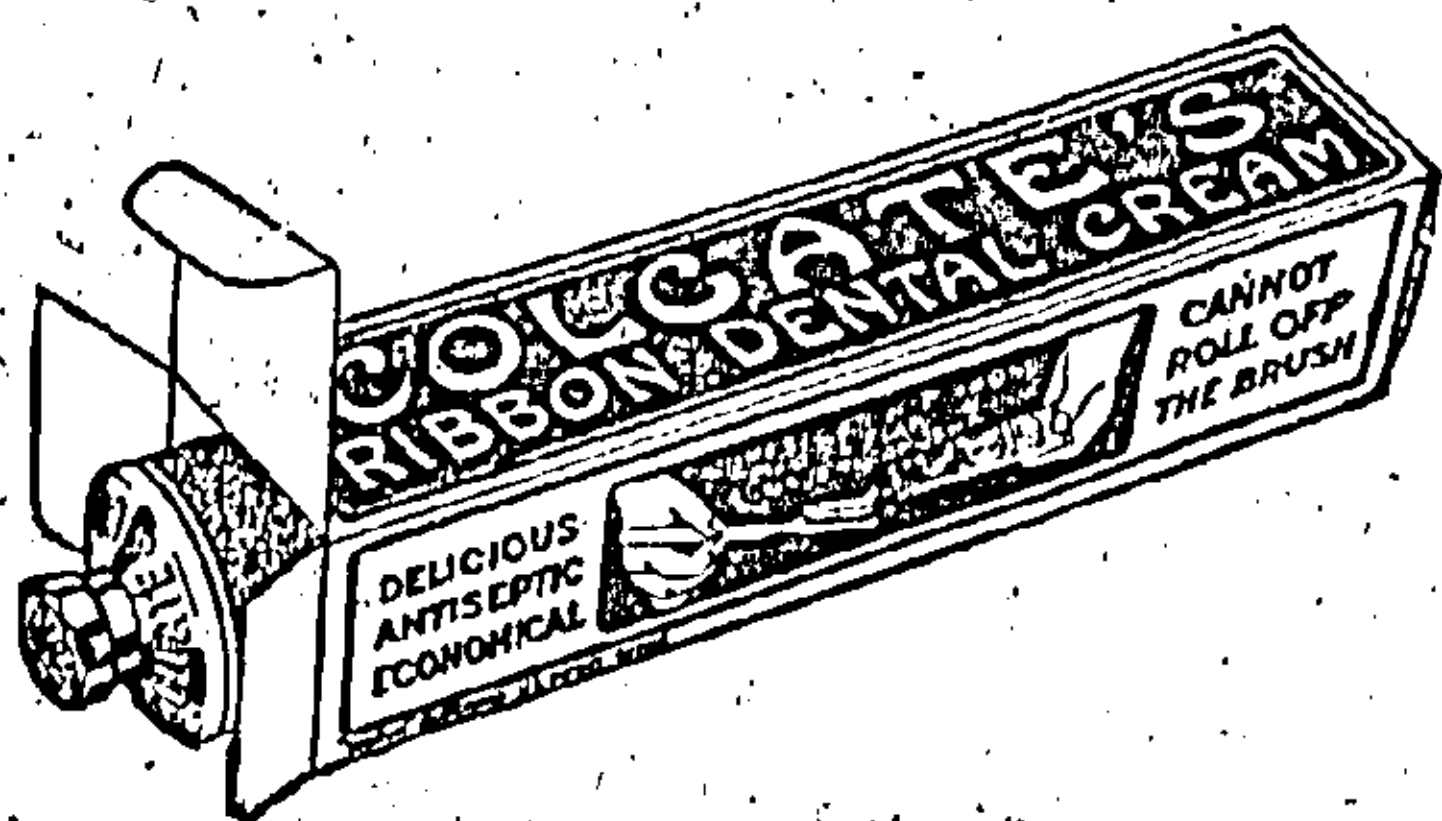
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RECALLED.****ELLY WIDLER'S ACCOMPLICE  
MAKES APPEAL.****SEVERE SENTENCE.**

Shanghai, Dec. 15.  
A sequel to the sensational Widler-Saridis armed robbery case of June 29 last, which reached a climax when the former was sentenced to imprisonment of three months by the Swiss Consular Court and the latter received 15 years at the hand of the Provisional Court, came yesterday before the appellate branch of that body when Theodora Saridis asked for a rehearing of his case on the grounds of excessive sentence in view of the evidence submitted previously and new evidence having come to light.

It will be recalled that at the time the two were alleged to be concerned in a contraband trafficking case with several Chinese, and the specific charge was that a box or package was to have been delivered in payment of \$6,000, which turning over of money is alleged to have occurred and the box or parcel was found to contain several books in place of the contraband expected.

**Widler's Sentence.**

Elly Widler was tried before the Swiss Consular court at that time and received a sentence of three months, while Saridis, being a Greek, and without extrajurisdictionality, was brought before the Provisional Court.

At yesterday's appeal hearing Mr. H. D. Rodger appeared in the interests of the original complainant, Mr. F. J. Schulz, on behalf of the Greek societies in the Settlement, Mr. Ivanoff, on behalf of the appellant, and Mr. R. T. Bryan on behalf of the Police.

Mr. Schulz was the first to be heard, and outlined the details of the case as it was presented last June. He pointed out that according to the evidence his client was the sufferer at the hand of a wiser man and bore the brunt of the disgrace while the other, whom he claimed was the instigator and moving force in the affair, escaped practically free.

**The Dupe of Widler.**

He said it was his opinion that the accused was the unknowing dupe of Widler, and that the first thing for the court to settle was whether the case should rightly have been one of armed robbery, or one of fraud. He believed an impartial hearing of the evidence would reveal it to be the latter and then read the statement of Saridis taken just after the affair happened. This was a story of dining with Widler on May 12, 1928, arriving with him and some Chinese to the Yangtzepoo district with a built at the Public Garden, and then waiting with a Chinese in Yangtzepoo Road.

**Complainants Amazed at Severity.**

Mr. Rodger spoke on behalf of the original complainants who, he said, were as amazed as was he at the severity of the sentence and were now willing and anxious that it should be cut down materially as they were inclined to the belief that the accused was the unwitting foil of Mr. Widler and had blundered into the matter unintentionally. Mr. Rodger said that he was in the odd position of a lawyer who had already pleaded for the conviction of a man at one hearing, and on the next appearance in court pleaded that the sentence be mitigated. But such was the case, he said, and he could not see that the sentence of 15 years was just in view of the evidence against the accused. He told the court that he had heard of a letter having been sent to the court of first instance at the original trial asking that no mercy be shown Mr. Saridis, and he was inclined to the belief that if such a letter had been received it was founded on ulterior motives.

The Court looked through the court documents and found a letter that was understood to be the letter to which Mr. Rodger referred.

**The Brains of the Plan.**

Mr. R. T. Bryan, on behalf of the police, joined in the appeal for a lessening of Mr. Saridis' sentence. He held that if the case was one of armed robbery the sentence was not too heavy, and he was of the opinion that in such cases foreigners should be no more leniently treated than should the Chinese, but he held the opinion that the evidence in this case would show it to be, not at all armed robbery, but fraud. He said that though his memory might be in error, if he recalled correctly the two had gone to Woosung to deliver a box, for which Widler was to receive \$6,000. "The brains of the plan," said Mr. Bryan, "got the money and left the man before the court, holding the bag. The box was found not to contain the contraband that was expected and Mr. Saridis was held, though it is my opinion that he

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Mr. Barker, for the Commissioner of Police, stated that Mrs. Adams cut in front of two omnibuses which were pulling up in response to a policeman's signal ignored the signal herself, and nearly collided with a third omnibus. She then drove along Oxford-street in a zigzag fashion.

It was stated for the defence that Mrs. Adams, the wife of a medical student, had a clean licence. During the war she served in the V.A.D. and later as a motor-driver in the W.A.A.C. On the day of the offence she was distraught with pain through neuralegia, and foolishly decided to brace herself up by having a double brandy with soda.

Mr. Cancellor, who said it was a distressing case, fined her £20, with £5 costs, on the first charge, and £5 for the dangerous driving. Her licence was suspended for 12 months.

was innocent of the whole thing." It was his belief that should the case be found to be one of fraud a sentence of 15 months to two years was not too severe and he believed that if the proceedings of the Widler trial could be obtained from the Swiss Consulate they would show Mr. Saridis as the innocent dupe of the pair.

The court announced an intention of writing the Swiss Consulate in an endeavour to get the trial proceedings, and pending the outcome of such action the case was remanded until called.

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### AIR COLLISION DANGERS.

#### PROBABLE ACTION BY MINISTRY.

A conference has been held at the Air Ministry, at which the firms now operating air services between London and the Continent were represented, to consider how to reduce the risks of air collision due to the increase in the number of club and private flyers.

Experienced pilots belonging to the British and French air transport companies complain that in bad winter weather, when the visibility is low, there is appreciable and growing risk of collision between regular air traffic machines and light aeroplanes. It is stated that private flyers, sometimes with but little flying experience, use the main air route to Paris often without giving warning of their intentions.

All machines use much the same landmarks, and in bad weather, when the clouds are low, there exists in effect a kind of corridor, along which the bulk of the air traffic passes. For the air line machines this is safe, because they are in wireless communication with their headquarters, where the movements of all these machines are plotted. It is possible, therefore, to give warning of the approach of other machines.

#### Uncontrolled Movements.

But the aircraft belonging to the private flyers are without wireless, and their movements are uncontrolled.

At the Air Ministry conference, the suggestion was made and received wide support, that all aircraft flying over the main London-Paris route should be compelled to land at Croydon previously and to

### GERMAN BANK CRASH ARRESTS.

#### STRANGE STORY OF WOMEN'S COSTLY PRESENTS.

Berlin, Nov. 21. Hundreds of people in Freiburg (Silesia) have lost their saving in a local bank crash, to which it would be difficult to find a parallel outside of fiction. The bank had enjoyed a high reputation for half a century, and was still under the control of its original administrator.

Latterly, however, it is alleged, the owner's daughter, a strong-minded woman, who was in a position to control the accounts, decreased the bank's resources by giving her many admirers extravagant presents, such as Persian carpets, motor-bicycles, and suites of furniture. It is further alleged that false entries were made in the account book.

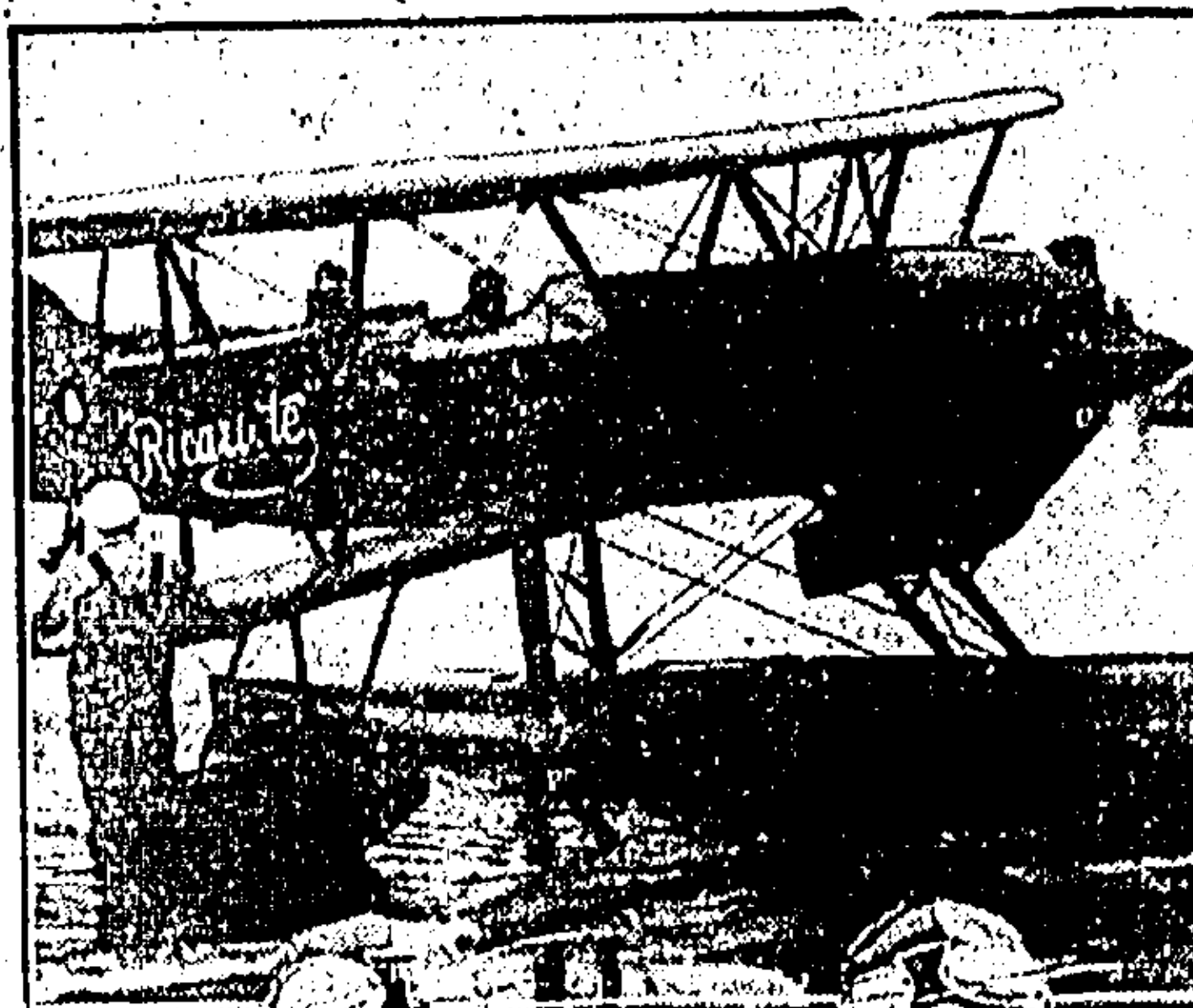
Employees who showed any disposition to protest against the expenditures, it is stated were silenced by the threat of instant dismissal.

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report their intentions. A similar arrangement in France would then enable the respective control rooms to keep touch with the amount of traffic on the route, and, if necessary, to warn the air liner pilots.

It is probable that the Air Ministry will take action on the lines suggested, although no final decision has yet been reached.

### INTER-CONTINENTAL FLIGHT.



A hop from New York City to Bogota, capital of Colombia, is the feat these two South Americans plan to attempt this month. Lieutenant Benjamin Mendez, left, of the Colombian army, is the pilot. His companion is Carlos Puyo Delegado, Bogota newspaperman. The Curtiss-Falcon seaplane pictured above will be used in the attempt.

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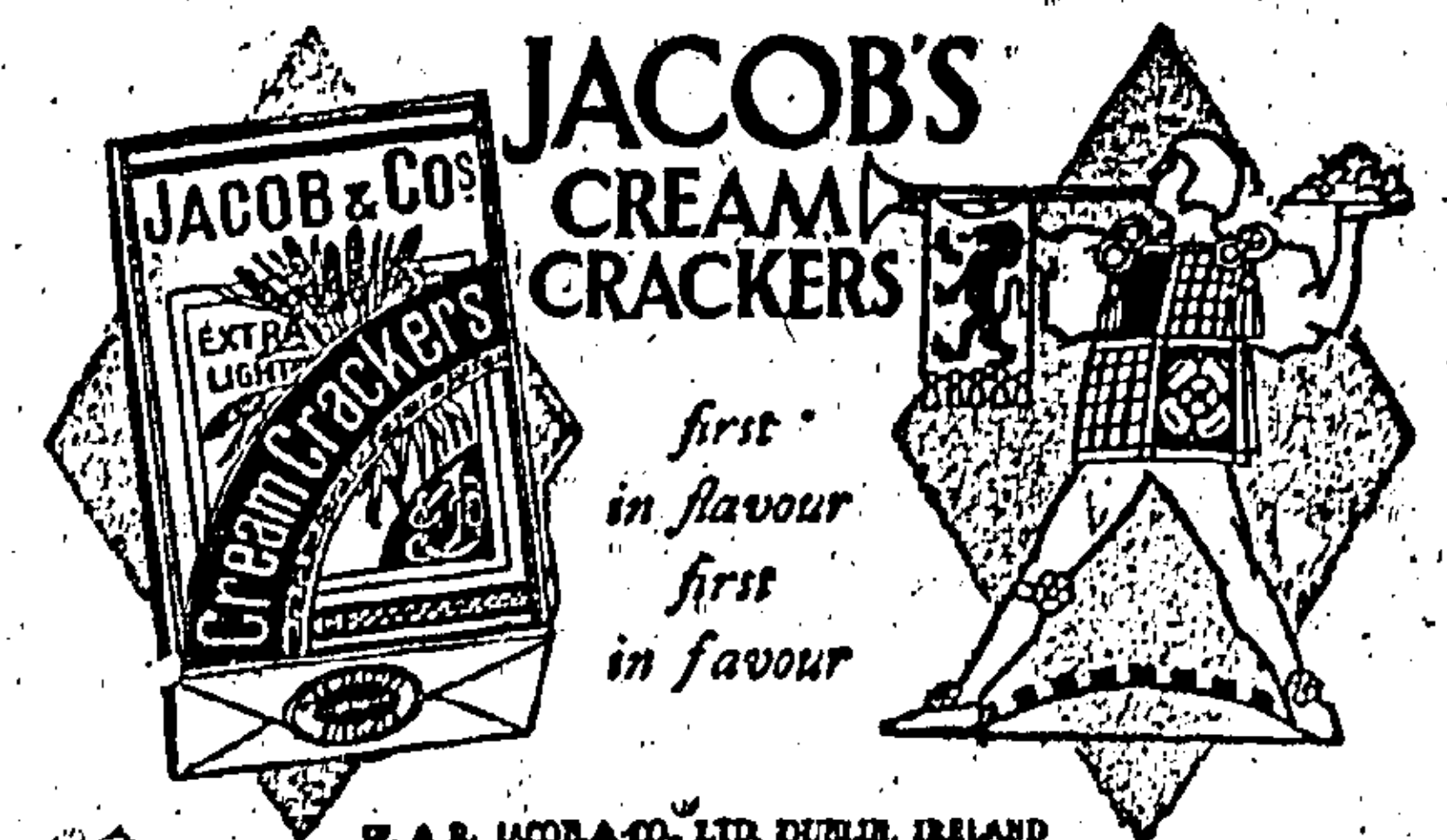
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### ABOUT NOTHING IN PARTICULAR.

CABBAGES FOR KINGS.

[By Sidney Dark in the Morning Post.]

The year dies beautifully in England. There is a soft mellowness of colour with the falling of the leaves, and the suggestion of rest and peace in the light haze of November early evening.

Autumn, so it is said, breathes melancholy in the souls of the sensitive. But for me it has its own peculiar joys. Summer, alas! is over, and I love sunshine with a love altogether unwholesome for a dweller in England. But the walnuts are in season. There is again an "R" in the month, though that is a fact which interests me very little with Whitstables at seven shillings a dozen, and I can sometimes afford a pheasant for my dinner. Life always has its compensations.

My only quarrel with autumn is that it brings back the cabbage, of all vegetables, except its first cousin, the cauliflower, the most loathly. Slightly to change a famous denunciation of Mr. Chesterton's, "cabbage is a vulgar beast, cabbage is a cad," and, like all vulgar things, cabbage is insistent. It grows large and arrogant, like a bumptious profiteer, and when it is boiled in the kitchen its existence is all too evident in the garret.

When the Walrus invited the oysters to talk of "cabbages and kings" he was inviting them to proceed through the whole gamut of possible conversation, from the lowest subject to the highest. Humility is happily to be found among the exalted as well as among the lowly.

"Hearts just as pure and fair  
May beat in Belgrave Square  
As in the rarer air  
Of Seven Dials."

Similarly, pride rears its unpleasant head in Peckham as well as in Park-lane, and these qualities of humanity are to be found all through Creation. How self-offensive is the pea! It grows with pretty dignity. It is cooked, without offence. And with a suggestion of mint it makes dinner time a joy. While the cabbage...

Still, just as there is a chance of salvation for the greatest of sinners, so even the cabbage may be, as it were, coerced into modesty and succulence—at some expense and with considerable culinary skill. There is a dish called *Faisan a la Flamande* which I recall when life is particularly hard to endure, and which I buy when my bank manager has been complacent. The cabbage plays its part in *Faisan a la Flamande*; but it is the pleasant that matters. It takes the cabbage and simply makes it behave. *Faisan a la Flamande*, indeed, is Nietzscheanism in action, the strong properly dominating the weak, the Proletariat sternly put into its place.

It may be—who can say?—that Nietzsche, or perhaps his predecessor, Count Gobineau, once ate *Faisan a la Flamande*, possibly in the Lion d'Or in Brussels, where man eats it at its best, and from the experience of the complete suppression of the unpleasant qualities of the aggressive cabbage one of them evolved the philosophic theories, in which they had long before been anticipated by Machiavelli, who may have had the same comforting experience.

But the cabbage cooked in water and served as a hard wedge a la Anglais is a thing at which the judicious may well shudder. It has its human counterpart in a Trade Union secretary of the baser sort elected to a Town Council.

### LORD STANLEY FINED.

CHARGE FOLLOWS ACCIDENT IN NARROW ROAD.

Lord Stanley, M.P., eldest son of the Earl of Derby, was fined £2 and ordered to pay £2 14s. costs at Bromley recently for negligent driving.

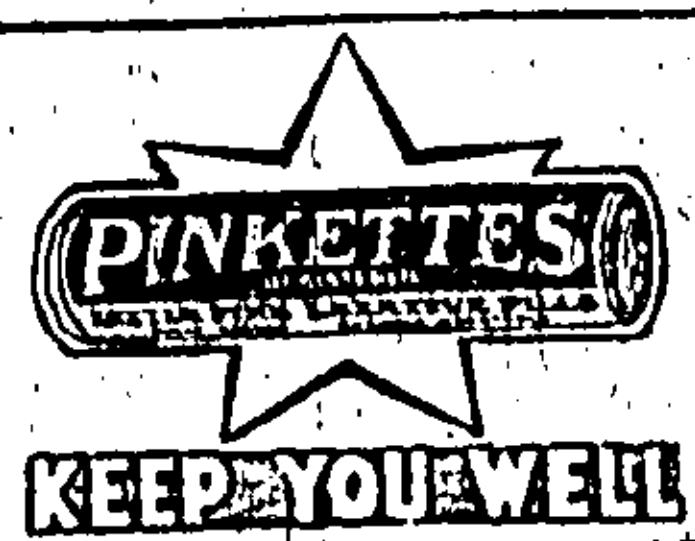
The allegation of the police was that Lord Stanley "cut in" between two other cars in Beckenham-lane, Hayes, a narrow road, at a very fast speed. The driver of the first car applied his brakes, causing his car to swing round and knock a police sergeant off his bicycle. The car afterwards came into collision with the second car.

Lord Stanley stated that he had held a driving licence for 16 years, and had never been involved in an accident in which injury had been sustained. The first he knew of the accident was when he heard a crash 60 or 70 yards after passing the cars. He went back to see what had happened. He did not think he was concerned in the accident.

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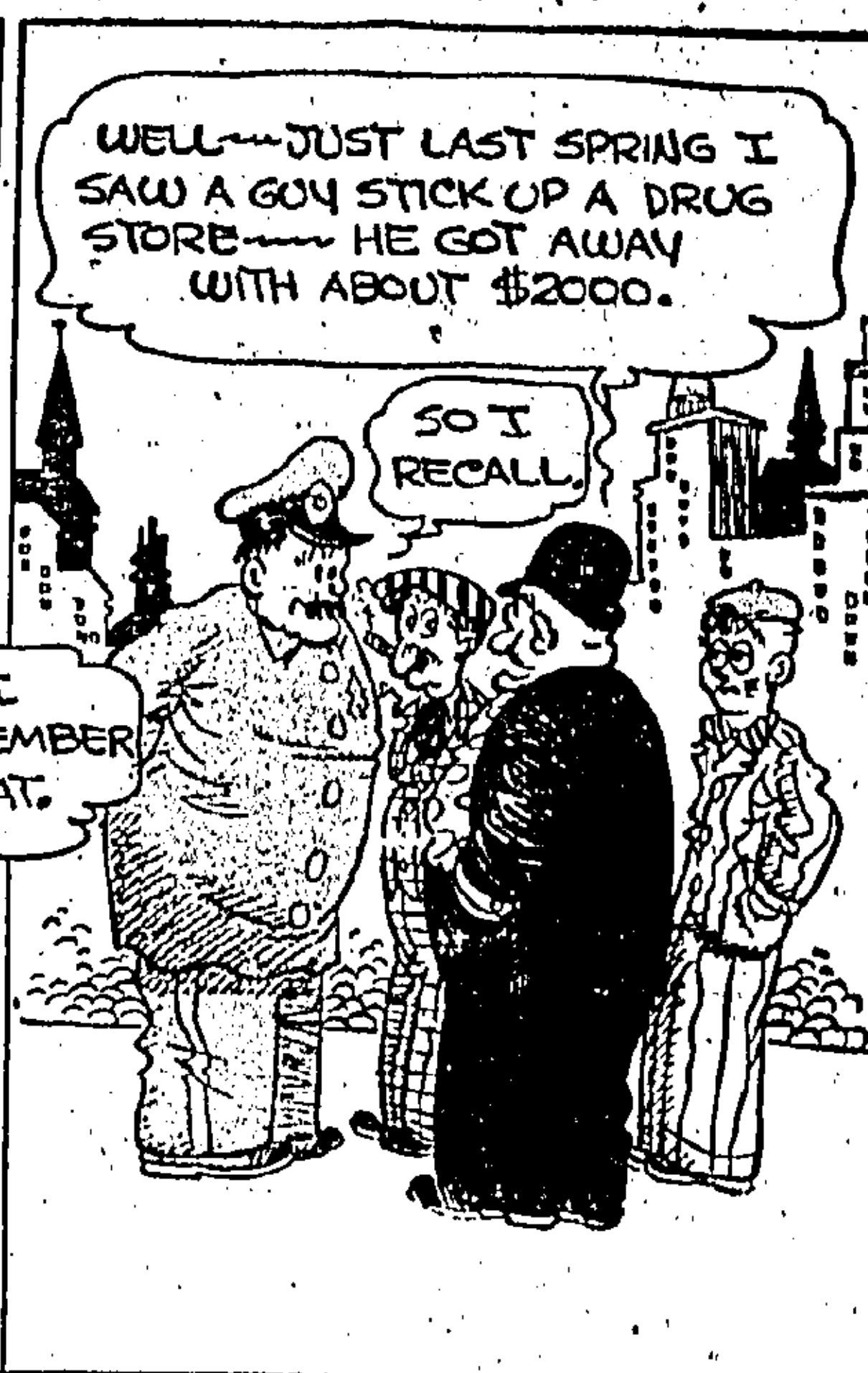
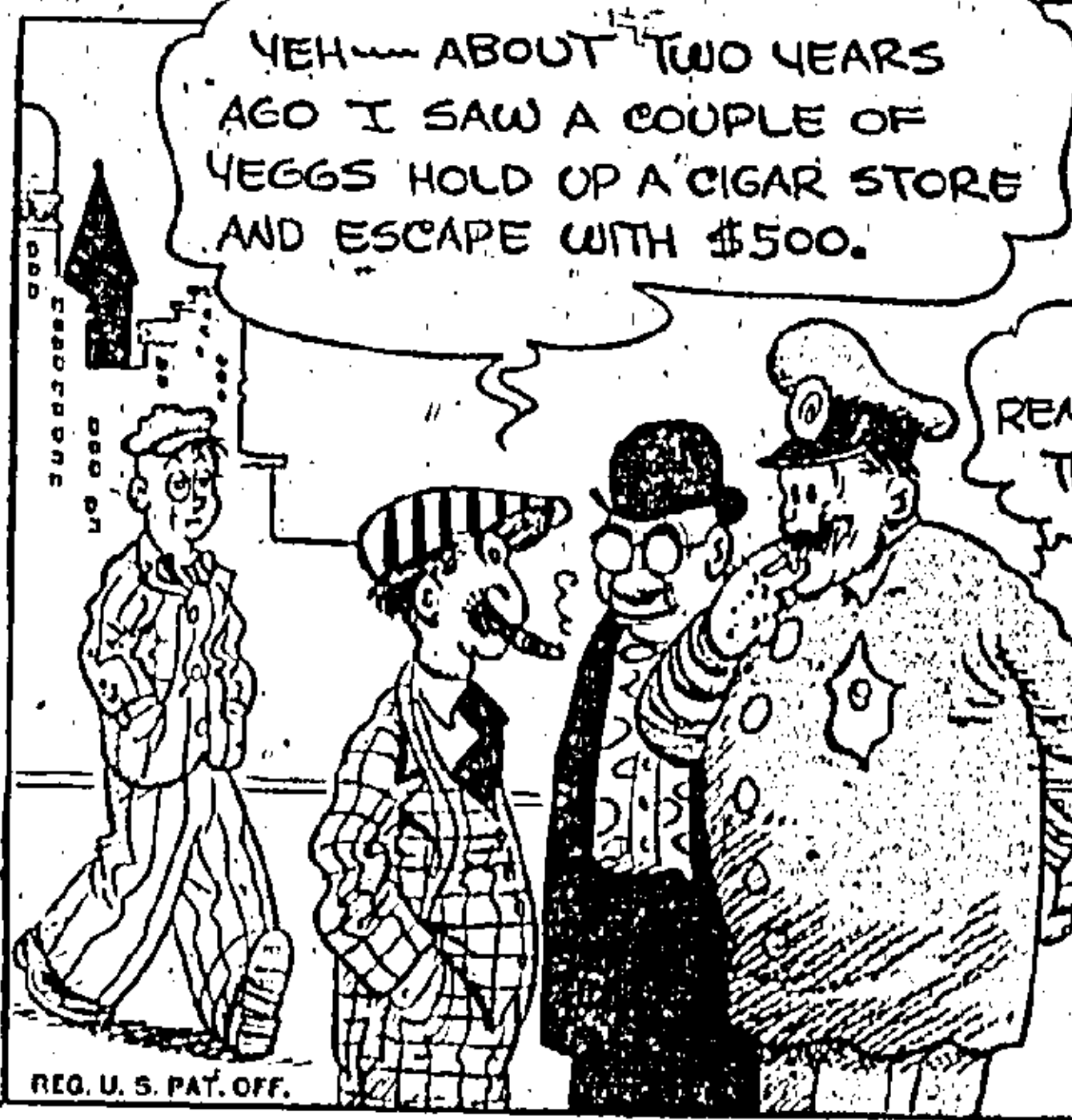
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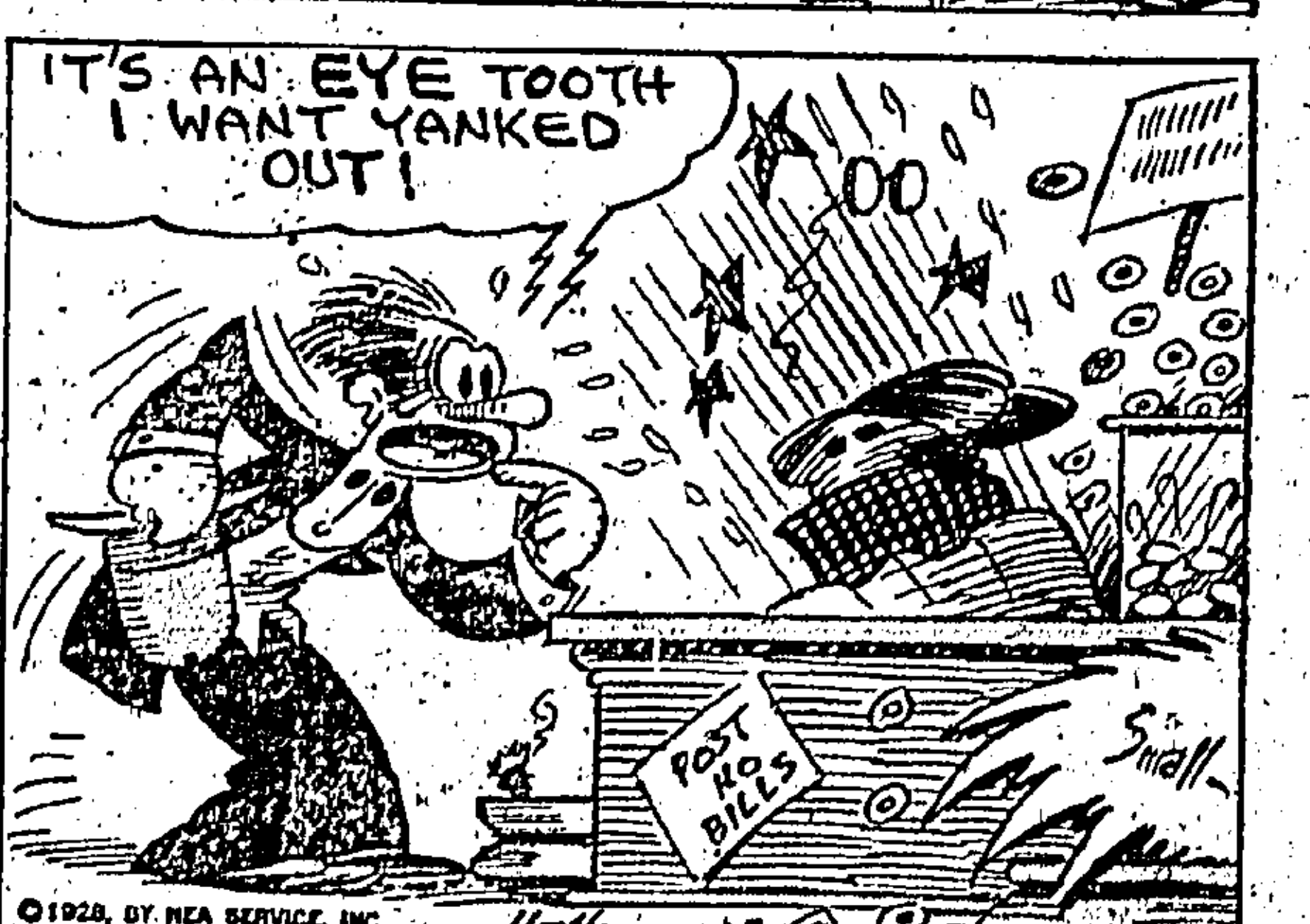
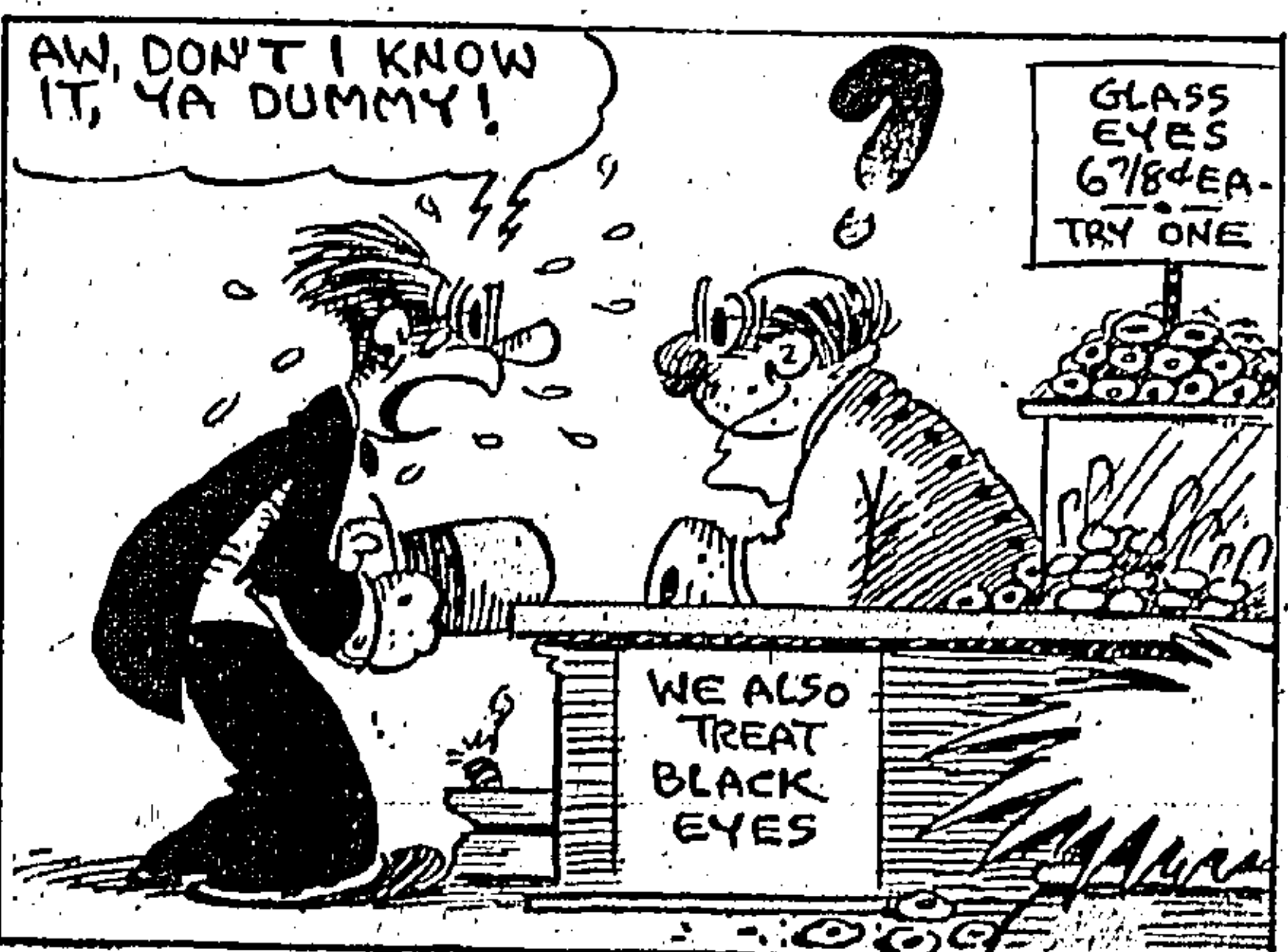
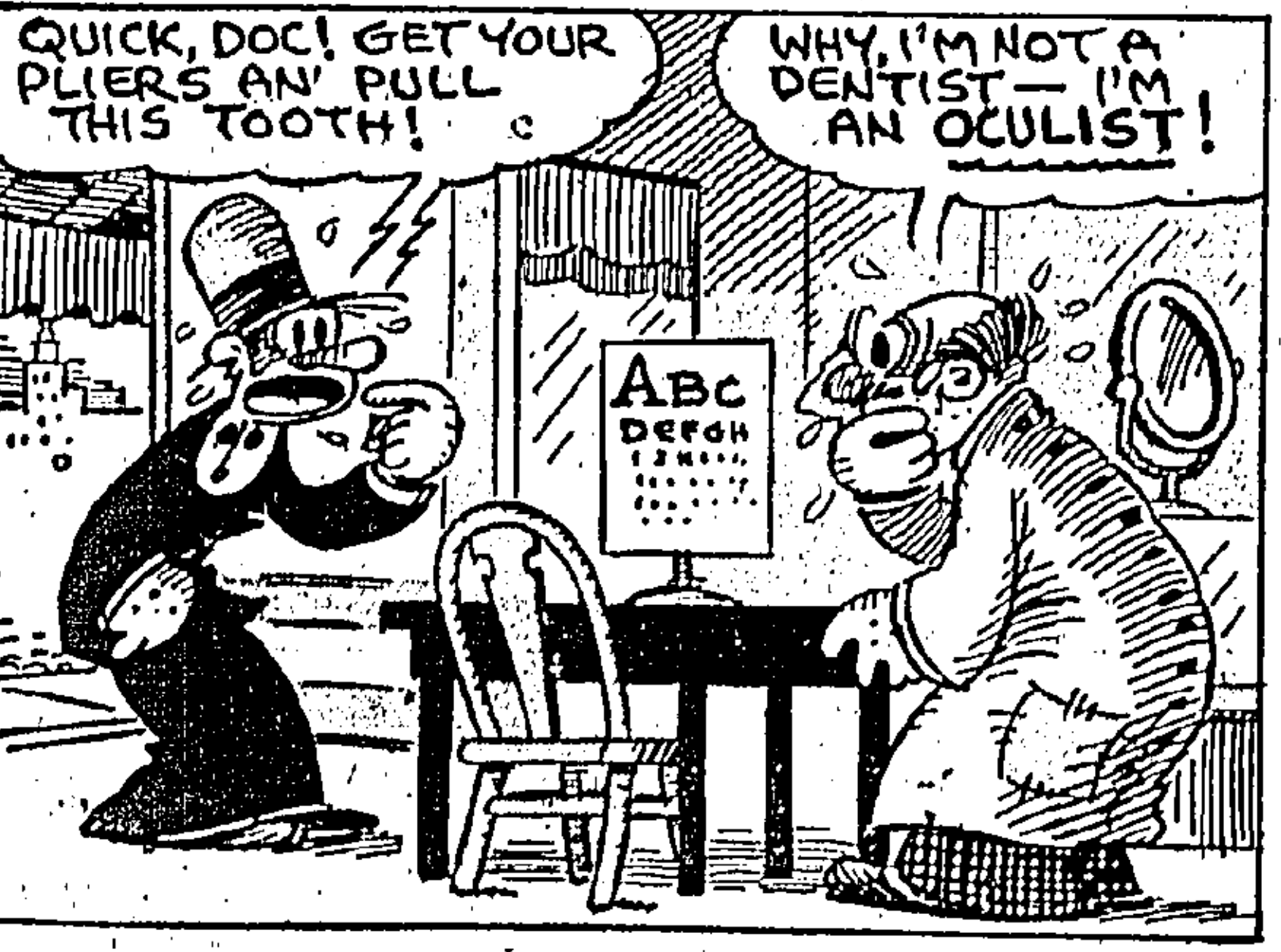
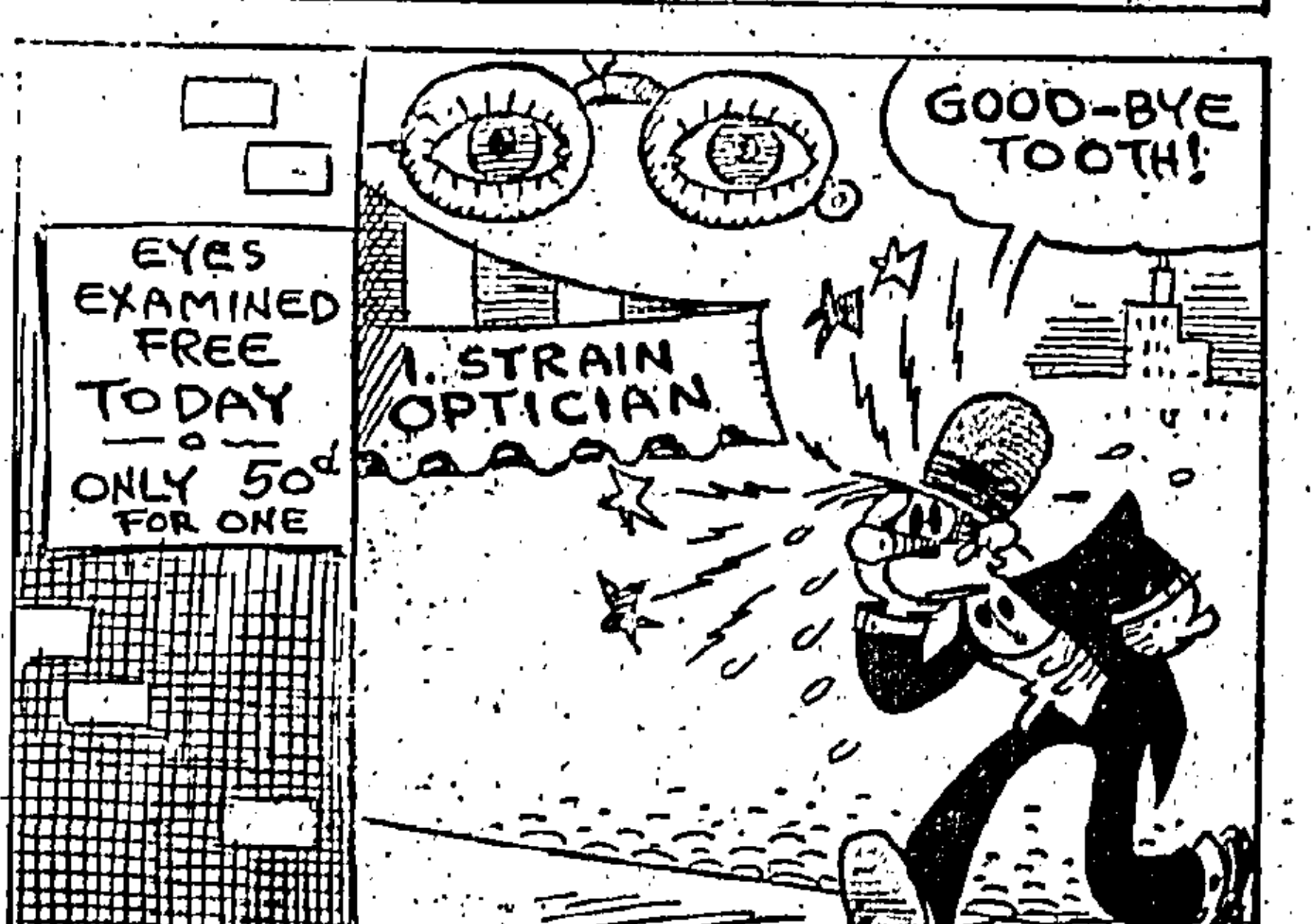
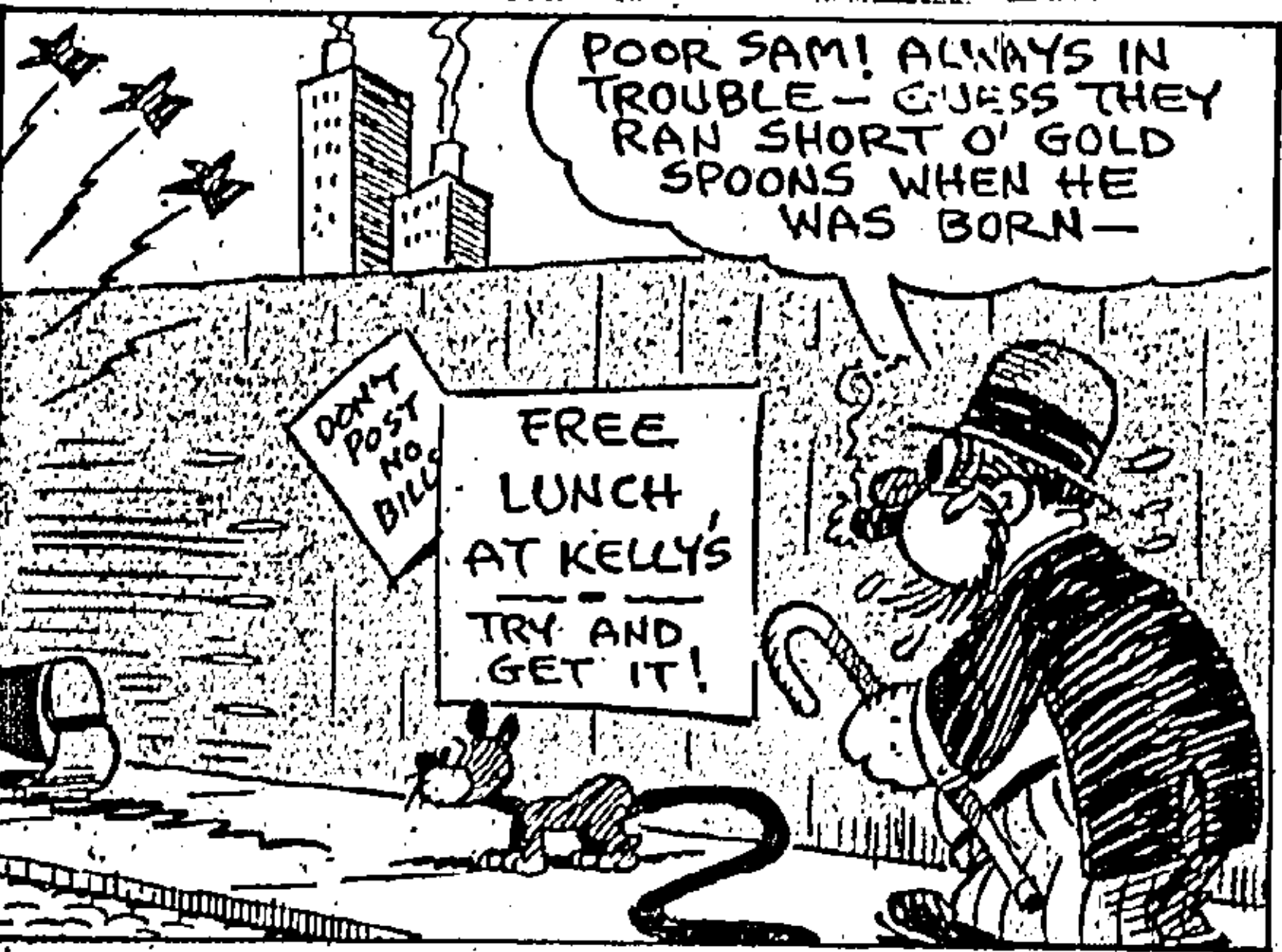
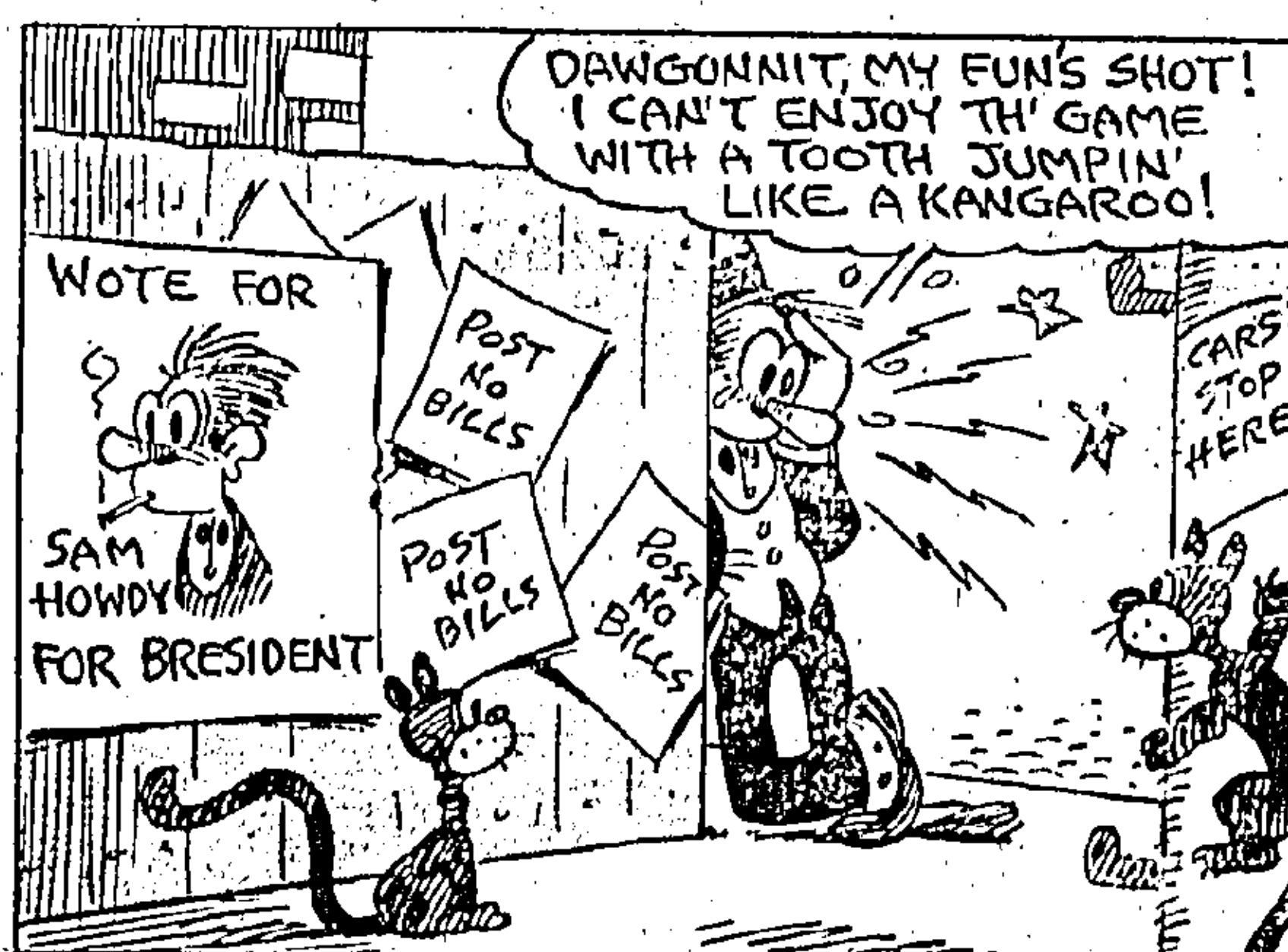
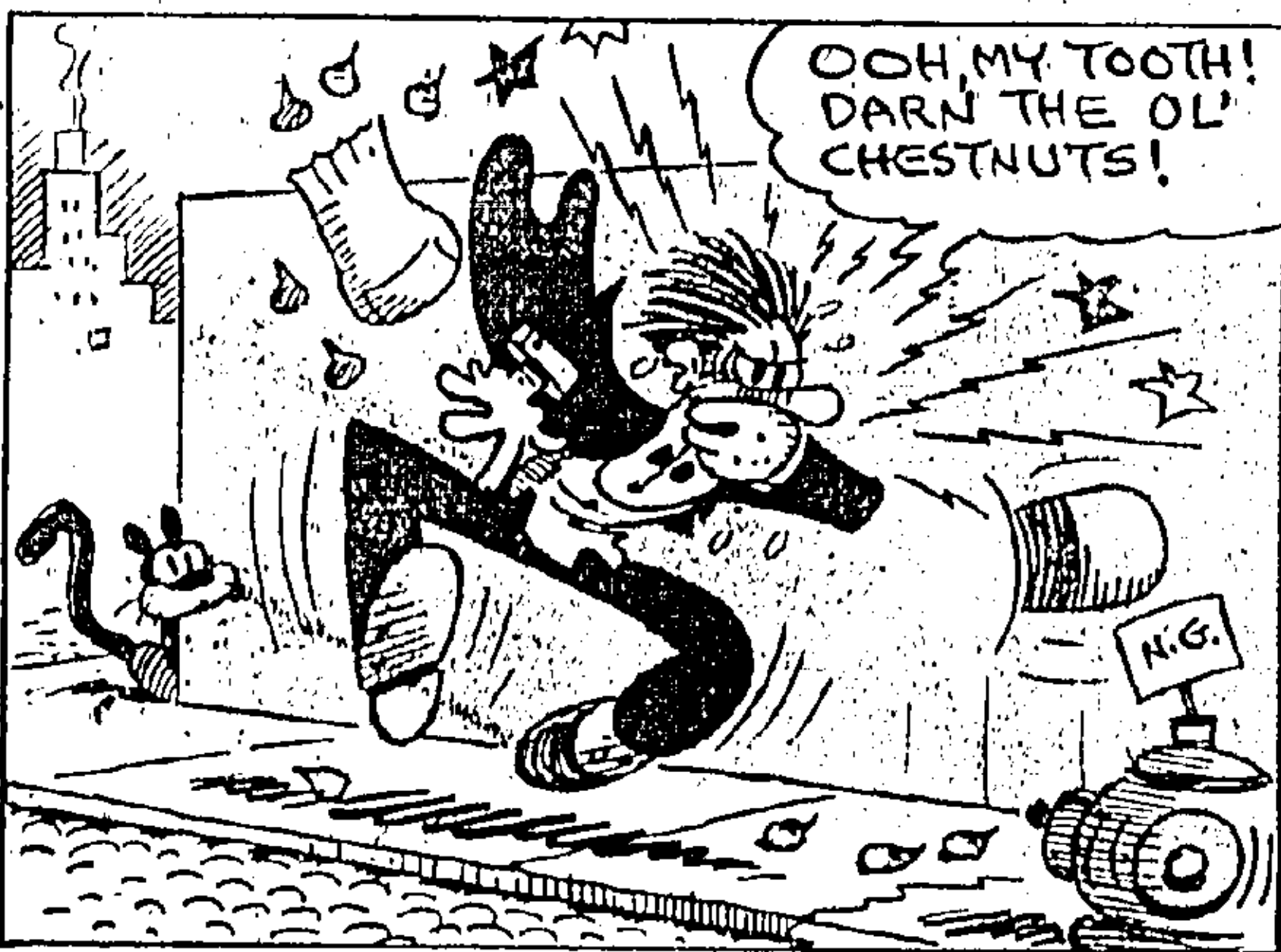
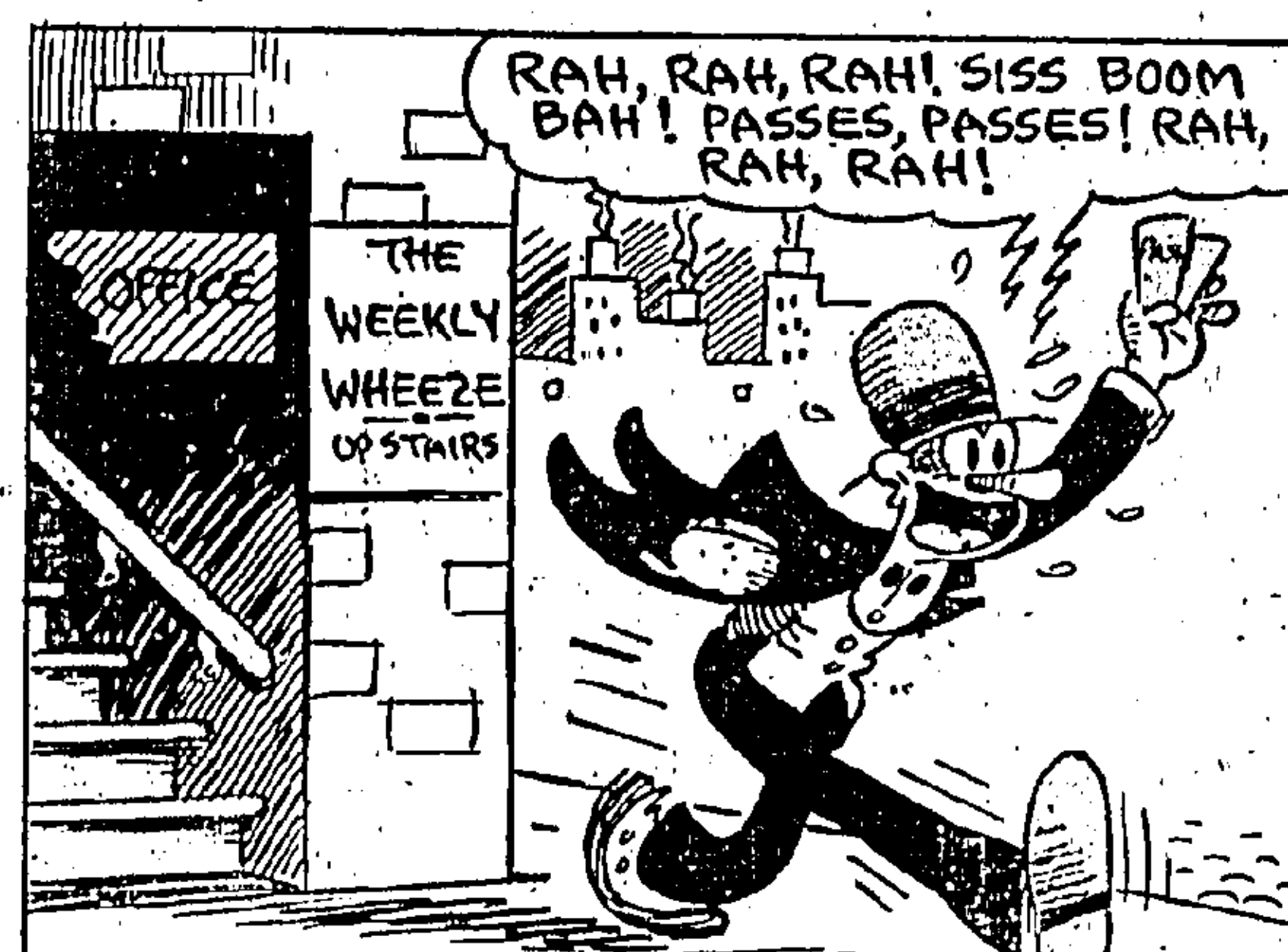


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## CHAPTER XLII

It was Mabel who lifted the still figure, and pressed her handkerchief to the blood that trickled from his forehead.

"There's whisky in the decanter," she said. "In the highboy, Sybil. Get it between his lips. No, here—let me do it. Get some water."

The two girls knelt over him, and Mabel's compassionate glance was divided between the boy who lay like a corpse and the girl who looked like death. Presently his eyelids fluttered, and he gazed wildly into Sybil's face.

"It's you?" he whispered.

She wet his cheeks with her tears as she cradled his head in her arms. They were alone. Mabel had taken Teddy, and left them.

John Lawrence passed his hand wearily across his forehead. Gazed absently at the blood that streaked his fingers, and turned like a wondering child to Sybil.

"I forgot," he said. "It's very strange. The war—and everything—it was all before the war, wasn't it?"

She nodded. Somewhere she had read stories about amnesia. Once—long ago—she had believed John would come back. But nobody ever did—only in books and movies. And those stories about amnesia. People didn't put much faith in them.

There was that boy the papers called the Mystery Hero. One arm gone. They thought he lost it in the Argonne. People made such a fuss over him—alienists and psychiatrists and rich old women. Some woman with barrels of money married him. Then they discovered he wasn't a soldier at all. He'd lost his arm in an explosion.

And that ex-soldier in Roxbury—his wife had him arrested for non-support. He claimed to have lost his memory, and when she faced him in court with their child, he said he had never seen either of them before. But the judge wouldn't believe him, and sent him to jail.

Amnesia, like charity, covered a multitude of sins. But John—John wouldn't tell such lies. Why should he? He loved her, didn't he? Of course he had wanted to come home to her.

"It's very strange," he murmured. And in dumb anguish she inclined her head. It was. Very strange.

"The baby—is it yours?" She asked.

"They said you were dead. At first I wouldn't believe it. I waited and waited. But you never came. I was married two and a half years ago. My—my husband is dead."

John Lawrence frowned.

"God in heaven!"

He struggled to his feet, exploring his pockets nervously. On his outstretched palm he extended a small white box.

"Look—it's a wedding ring. I bought it this morning. The banners were published last Sunday. Oh, my God, Sybil. What are we going to do?"

He put his hands over his face, and she kissed his fingers timidly.

"John, look at me, dear. It's so long—long ago. Do we care, dear, still?"

She pried his fingers from his face, and he took her hands, and kissed them wildly.

Then she was in his arms—struggling, protesting, entreating.

Deaf to her pleas, he caressed her. Kissed her lips and her eyes and her poor pale face, and her white throat. Until, spent with ardour, they sank on the divan, like tired children, and her head fell limply in the hollow of his shoulder.

"Tell me," she whispered, and her voice was small and weary. "Begin at the beginning."

Truth, they say, is stranger than fiction. Here then is the story John Lawrence told Sybil.

The war played strange tricks on men. And for exquisite cruelty psychosis turned the screws—that dread affliction that spared the body and scourged the soul.

He told his story disjointedly. The objective—oh, no matter. Earth and trees sprouted up like geysers. There were weird lights in the sky and shells screaming like hell let loose. He was scared. No use lying. Knees shaking.

There was an explosion. Worse than the rest. A shell, you know. Right in the middle of the squad.

"Oh, darling! It's—it's no use. I never tried to talk about it before—Blood and mud. . . . Fellows blown to pieces. . . . arms and legs—and things. . . . Sybil, hold my hand! Ah, sweetheart. . . . No! Man's Land, they called it. . . ."

He was sobbing. Crying like a baby—her soldier back from the wars.

"Oh, John—my dear. My dear. . . ."

He had lain there it seemed. Days—nights—nobody knew. Once

he found a little pool, crawling to it through the slime. And when he put his lips to it, and drank, it was sweet and sticky. Blood. He'd wiped it off with his sleeve. It was all over his face.

By and by he dug a hole—with his hands. To bury some poor fellow's head. It lay there, you see, staring up at the moon. Awful. The teeth showed.

There was a chap he knew. All he could see was his hand. Sticking out of some awful muck heap. Recognized the ring. A big, black stone. The chap's mother had given it to him on his twenty-first birthday. He told John so. Someone to talk to. Oh, God, don't let him be dead. . . . He reached for the hand. Touched it—icy cold.

"Come on, old man—out of that damn slime. I'll give you a pull."

A mighty wrench. A-h-h, there—that's better. He chafed the frozen wrist, and lunched forward, on his elbows, to see his friend's face.

"It wasn't Jim, Sybil. Only his arm. It came off, you see—in my hand. . . . like that."

She let him deliver himself of his misery. Vaguely. Incoherently.

At last they found him. Took him to a hospital. Base Hospital No. 18. At Buzzell. His leg was broken, and his left arm.

"See—how crooked it is. The leg set better. Shrapnel scars on my body. Ribs caved in. Pretty much of a bust. And I couldn't tell them a thing, Sybil. Not my name, or my outfit. Nothing at all. My mind was an absolute blank. Everything that happened before the explosion might just as well have never happened, so far as I was concerned."

When squads blew up, men were put down as missing, presumably dead. The presumption was safe enough. And that was how John Lawrence came to be listed first as "missing"—and, finally, "killed in action."

He had escaped in delicious flight from Base Hospital No. 18 in his pyjamas one night. If he had known his name, they would have dropped him after 10 days, as a deserter. But, because he was nameless, he was spared that ignominy. And, when they came upon him in Bordeaux they sent him back again.

There were months of it. He did not know how many. Finally the Armistice was declared.

"But I was off my nut. I didn't care."

"And you didn't ever think of me?" she whispered.

"No, dear. You see. . . . I wish I could make you understand. It was as if my past was all behind a great wall. If I could pierce the wall, I knew I'd find the life I'd left behind. I simply couldn't get to it. It was like a physical struggle, trying."

"It was as if I had died and gone. . . . Oh, yes, I'd gone to Mars. And after death, I knew I'd lived on a different planet. But it was dreadfully far away. There was no one on Mars who could help me go back, and no one on earth to come to get me. Do you see, dear? Can I make you feel the thing at all. It was like standing on a brink, with darkness behind me. Trying to remember was like trying to see with eyes bandaged. There was not one glimmer of light to help."

"I tried to reconstruct a life such as other fellows had. I studied faces—photographs even. Searching for features—eyes—smiles—anything that would help me remember. Middle-aged faces, like fathers and mothers. I tried to reconstruct my childhood."

"Then I began to wonder if there had been a girl. A sweetheart. I read love stories, seeking to relive any romantic episode that had coloured my life. I closed my eyes, and thought of kisses—soft arms, a beautiful face, a lovely body. And I made myself ache with longing—but that was all. It brought back nothing."

"Finally they sent me home—to the States. Walter Reed Hospital in Washington. There was a congresswoman from Massachusetts there—Mrs. Foster. 'Angel' the fellows called her."

"She took an interest in me—the same sort of interest she took in every poor devil. She had a notion I was from Boston. She talked to me about Harvard, but it didn't mean a thing. I knew a little German and some Spanish. I'd read a good deal, and discovered I could translate Greek. But I don't know yet where I learned those things."

"You're all I remember, dear. Nothing else but you. And until I saw you when I opened that door, you hadn't crossed my mind in 10 years."

Sybil bit her lip on a despairing little moan.

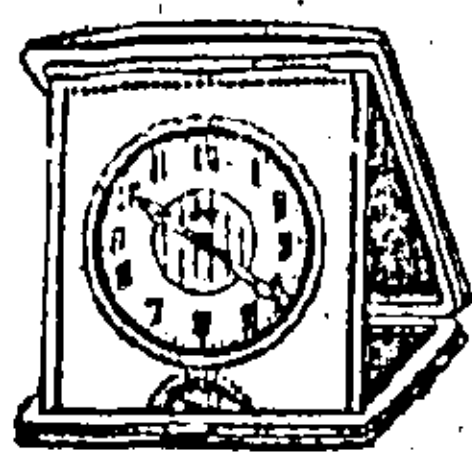
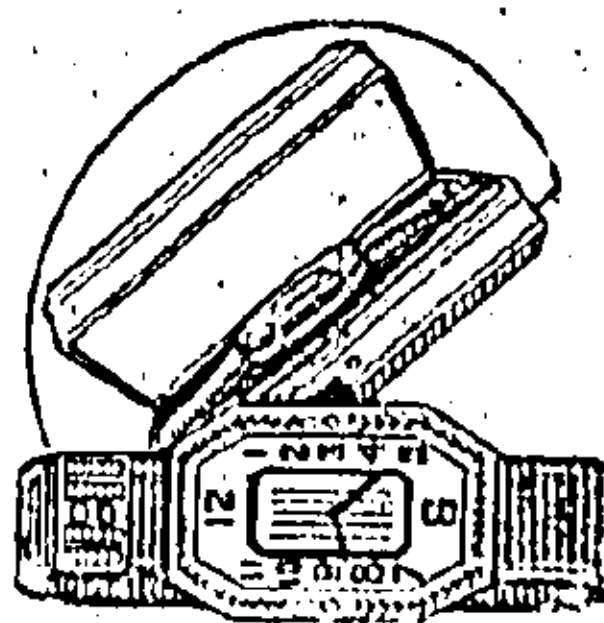
"Do you remember everything now, John?"

"No—but I will. It's coming back. I can feel it. It's like seeing figures in a fox. I found you first. I'll find the rest later."

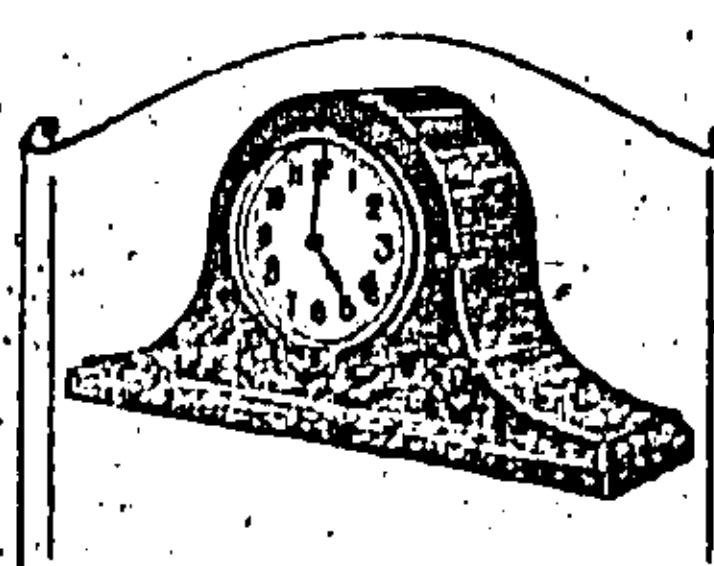
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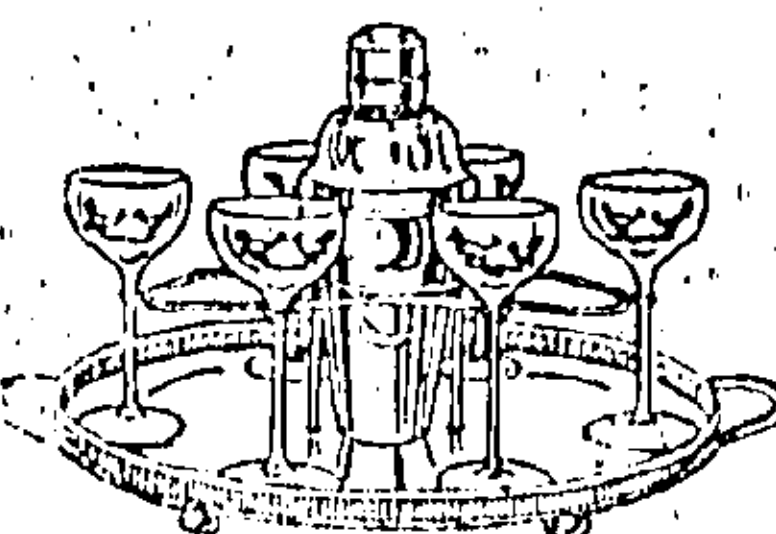


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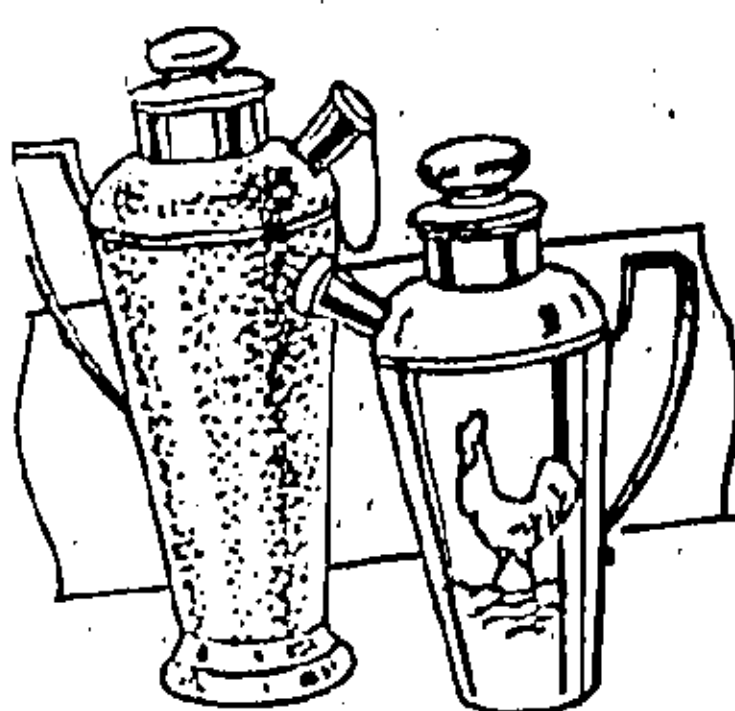
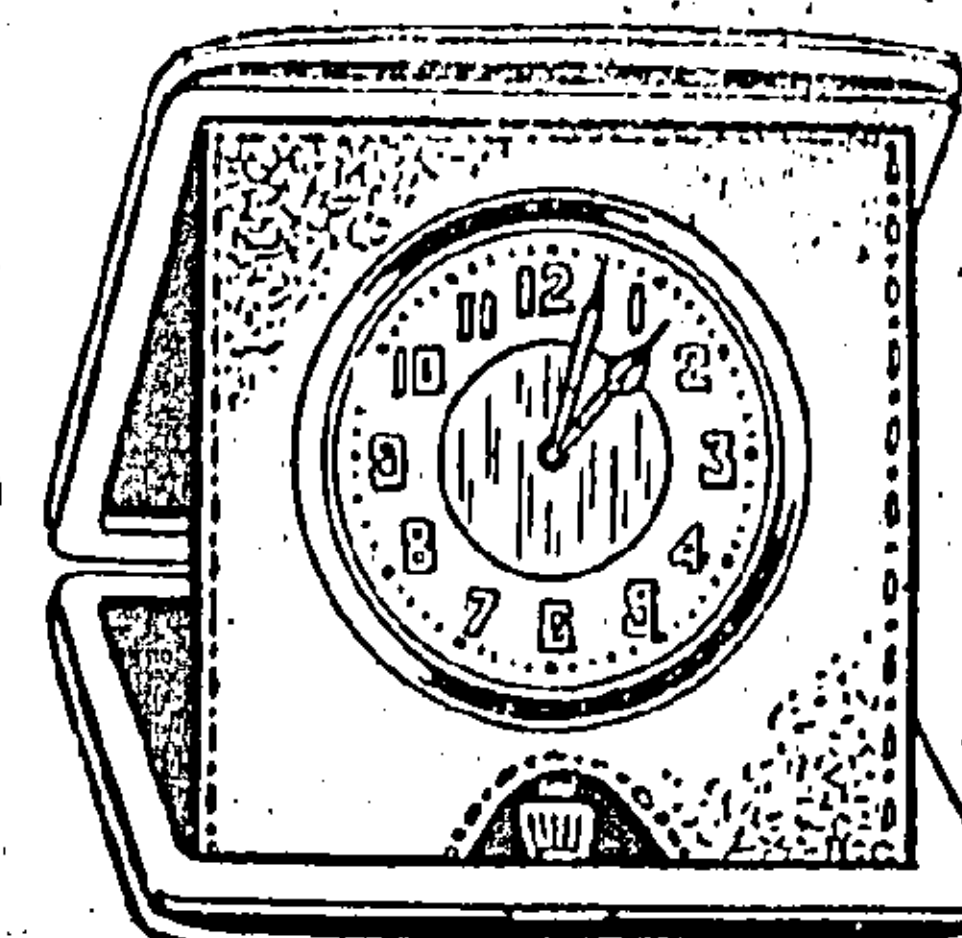
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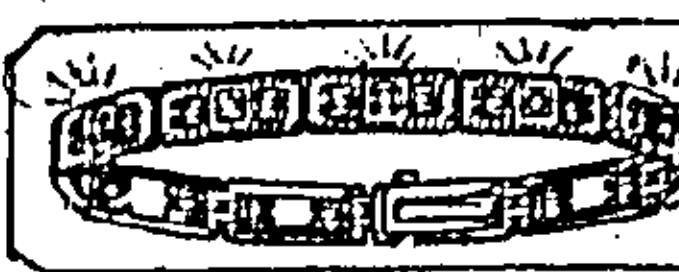
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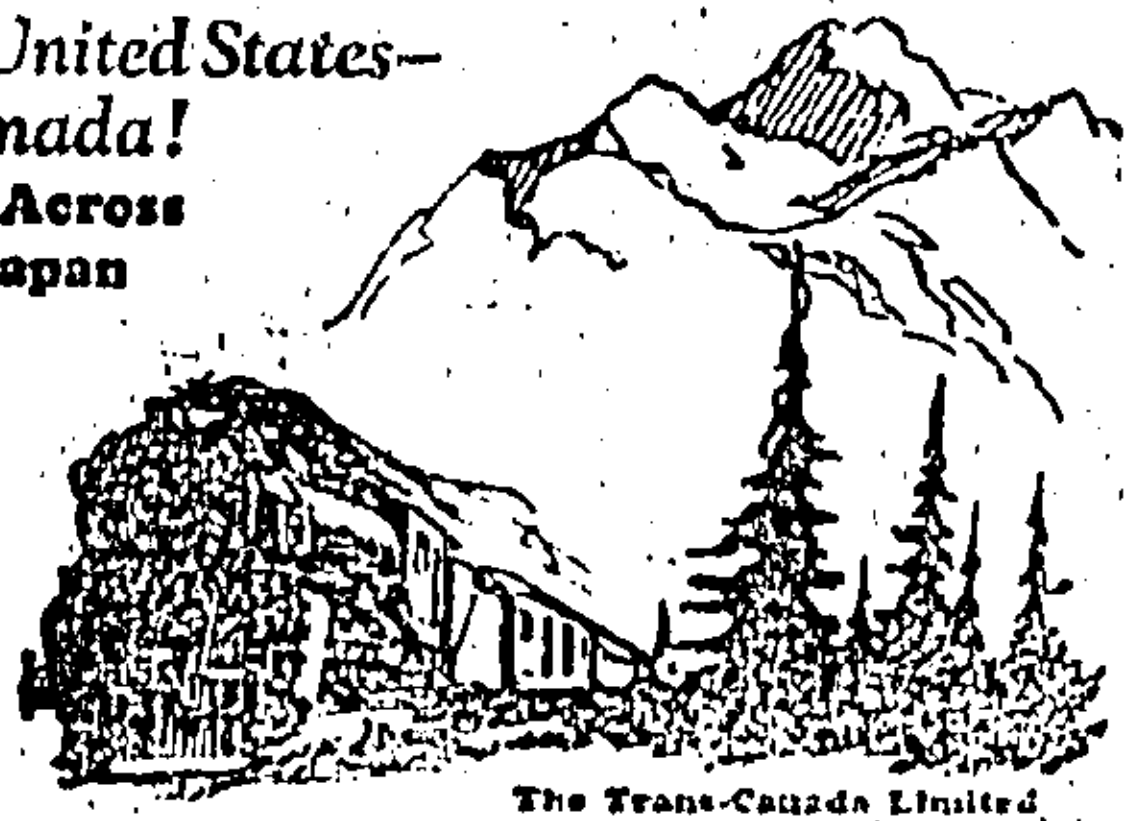
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## SCOTTISH CHURCH UNION.

### PRACTICAL CERTAINTY NEXT YEAR.

Edinburgh, Nov. 21.  
The negotiations for the reunion of the Church of Scotland and the United Free Church, which has gone on for twenty years, were today advanced a momentous stage, which makes union a practical certainty next year.

Adjourned meetings of the General Assemblies of the two Churches were held in Edinburgh, at which the basis of a plan of union, as finally adjusted in the light of suggestions and amendments received from the Presbyteries of the Church during the past few months, was submitted and approved. There was an overwhelming majority of several hundreds in each Assembly in favour of sending the basis and plan of union back to the Presbyteries for acceptance or rejection.

Assuming acceptance by the Presbyteries, the Assemblies next May will fix the date for the formal act of union.

This is expected to take place in October, in the presence of the King and Queen, in the Church of Scotland Assembly.

The Rev. Dr. John White (Glasgow) said that the marvellous unanimity on fundamental facts rendered it impossible for them to delay a single moment longer. One of the first duties of the United Church would be to map the country into ecclesiastical districts for bringing the Gospel to the doors of the entire population.

Substantially Satisfied.

The Rev. Principal Martin (Edinburgh), in the United Free Church Assembly, expressed the conviction that the Church as a whole was substantially satisfied with the documents. Seldom had the Church to make a more momentous decision. They would be faithful men if they did not accept the great benefits that would accrue to them from union.

The amendment in the Church of Scotland Assembly was general disapproval of the basis of the plan of union, but it received only seven votes. The Rev. James Barr, Socialist M. P. for Motherwell, led the opposition in the United Free Church and received 48 votes for a motion declaring that the main causes of separation had not been removed, and that the Church of Scotland remained a Church by law established.

### CLAN LAMONT OFFICER

#### RELEASED ON COMPLETING HIS PRISON TERM.

London, Dec. 21.  
Mr. Brewer, the second officer of the steamer Clan Lamont, who was arrested in Portuguese West Africa on a charge of theft and against the severity of whose sentence a strong protest was made by the British to the Portuguese authorities, has been released after completing his term.

It is understood he suffered from fever contracted during his imprisonment. The belief was widespread that the conviction was unjustified, and Mr. Brewer, while awaiting trial and serving his sentence, was in prison 360 days, as a result of a charge of stealing goods valued at £1.

The matter is still receiving the attention of the appropriate authorities.—British Wireless.

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4—The order of letters cannot be changed.

One solution is printed on another page.

### TOKYO SCANDALS.

#### DISSOLUTION OF MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY.

Tokyo, Dec. 21.  
Owing to recent revelations of various scandals involving more than a third of its members, the Home Minister has ordered the dissolution of the Municipal Assembly. As the accused persons include members of the Seiyukai and Minseito, the Government's position is unlikely to be affected. The election of a new body, to be carried out within three months, will be the first election of the Tokyo City Assembly under universal manhood suffrage.—Reuter.

### SINGAPORE FIRE.

#### SEVERAL FIREMEN INJURED IN GODOWN BLAZE.

Shanghai, Dec. 21.  
Damage estimated at about \$750,000 was caused by a fire which broke out in the godown of Java, Sumatra Handel Maatschappij situated in a congested godown area last night. The building was alight from end to end and was still burning this morning. Several firemen were hurt and one was sent to hospital to receive treatment.

### DEATH OF CAPTAIN DAREY.

#### THE RELIEF OF PEKING RECALLED.

Toulon, Dec. 21.  
The death has occurred of the Naval Captain Darey, who in 1900 led the international troops into Peking, where the Boxers were surrounding the Legations.—Reuter.

## V. C. INJURED IN WAR FILM.

### GALLIPOLI SCENE EXPLOSION.

A V.C.'s action against a film producer following injuries received while re-enacting for film purposes the exploit for which he gained the coveted award was heard before Mr. Justice Horridge and a special jury in the King's Bench Division recently.

Mr. Leonard Keyser, of Malden, who won the V.C. in Gallipoli in August 1915, sued Mr. G.B. Samuelson, the film producer, of Wardour-street, W., for damages for personal injuries and breach of contract.

In October 1927 he was taking part in the making of a film to be entitled "For Valour" at Mr. Samuelson's studios at Isleworth, when, owing to the explosion of a bomb, his jaw was fractured and his left arm and knee were damaged.

He alleged that Mr. Samuelson was negligent in taking the film, and that as a result he had been permanently disfigured. Mr. Samuelson denied negligence or that there had been any breach of contract.

Mr. J.D. Cassels, K.C., for Mr. Keyser, said his client won the V.C. for picking up live bombs and throwing them out of a trench. When he returned to England his V.C. was stolen by thieves, who subsequently returned it in an unstamped envelope.

On the occasion when the accident occurred, Mr. Samuelson, who was directing the film, thought the scene was not realistic enough, so he had a charge placed in the trench. Mr. Keyser got into the trench and dropped a sandbag on a bomb when the charge put in the trench exploded, injuring Mr. Keyser.

Mr. Keyser, who estimated his claim at £443, said charges were exploding from behind the trench during the scene. He "jumped a bit," but Mr. Samuelson said it was quite safe.

He said no idea there was a charge in the trench.

William Henry Keeling, an electrician, said Mr. Samuelson told him to fire the charge when the sandbag was dropped.

Mr. Samuelson said there was no truth in Keeling's statement. It was quite obvious that the accident occurred because the charge was fired too soon.

The hearing was adjourned.

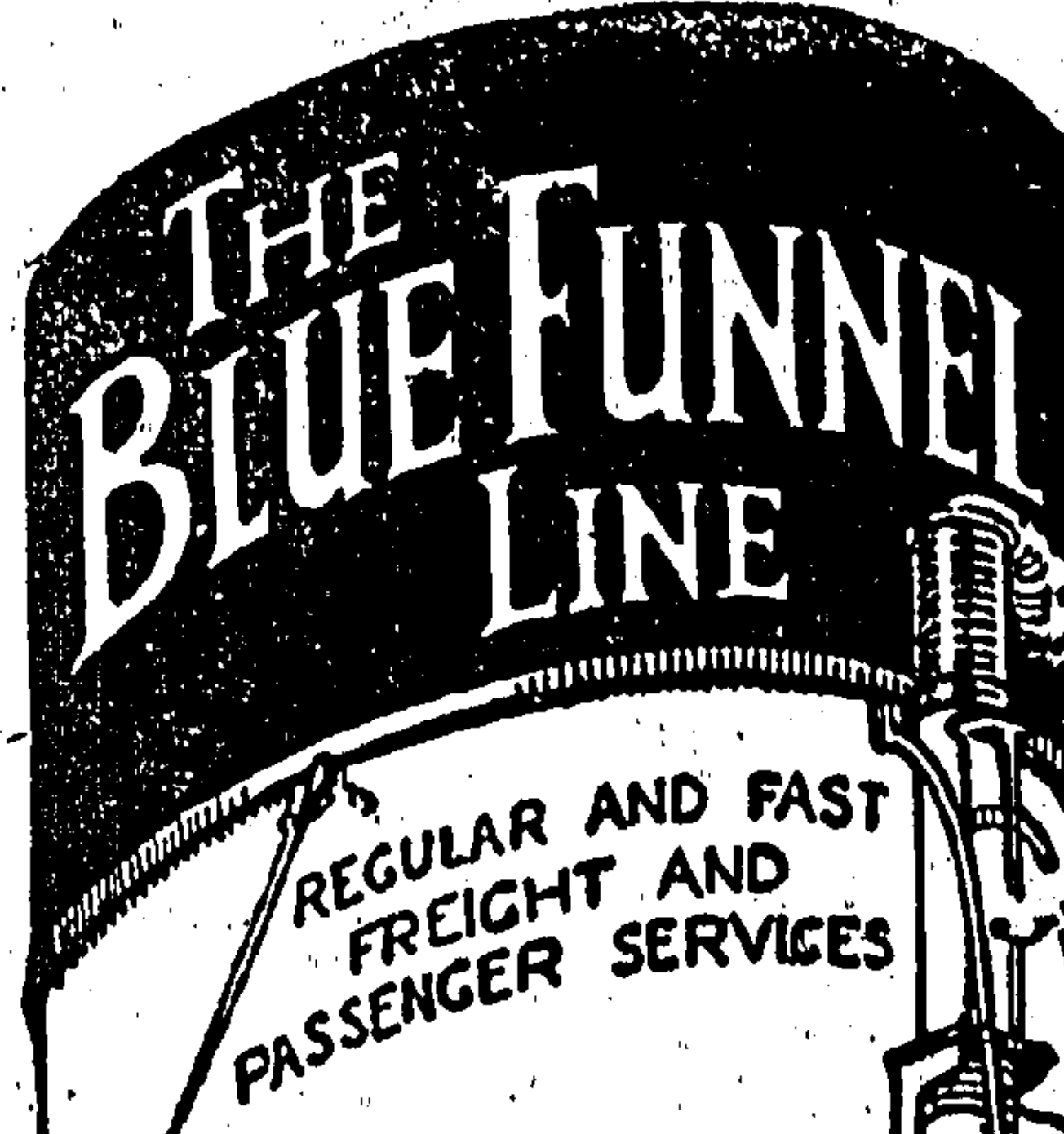
### CHARFIELD CRASH PUZZLE SOLVED.

#### SCHOOL JACKET NOT WORN BY VICTIM.

One of the mysteries connected with the recent Charfield train disaster has been cleared up. Part of a school jacket on which was the motto "Luce Magna" was found, and it was thought that this had been worn by one of the victims.

Wolton-under-Edge police have now been informed by a firm of Bradford clothiers that on October 12, the day before the smash, they sent by passenger train a parcel of ten blazers with the "Luce Magna" badge to the Girls' High School, Thuro. It is apparent that it was one of these blazers that was recovered a week after the wreck.

A strange feature of the accident is that the identities of the youth and young girl whose bodies were buried with nine others at Charfield churchyard remain unknown.



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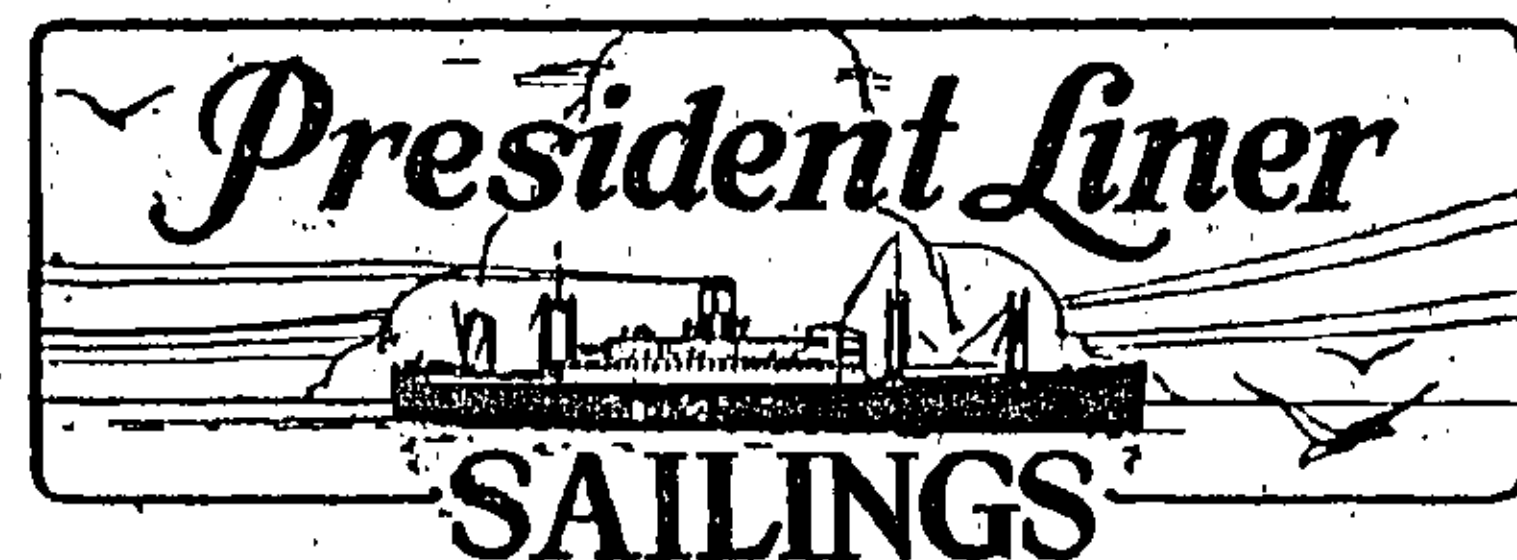
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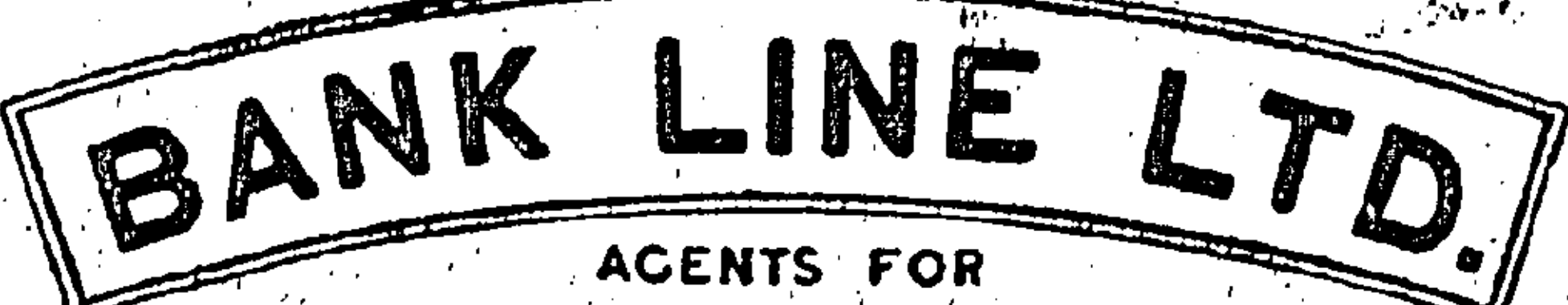
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The s.s. Tjondari had 616 deck passengers and reports the death of one male en route. No cause was stated, but the body was buried at sea.

Dangerous goods manifested yesterday included 400 drums arrack by s.s. Tjondari from Straits ports.

### TEXTILE CORPORATION

BANKS HESITATE TO FINANCE AMALGAMATION.

London, Dec. 21.

A serious hitch due to the attitude of the London banks has been reached in the creation of a Lancashire textile corporation, inaugurated last March, which intended to amalgamate the cotton mills and restore prosperity to Lancashire.

Financial interests in London were prepared to sponsor the amalgamation to the extent of, it was reported, two million sterling, but the banks, who are the virtual owners of the amalgamating mills, are hesitating. On the contrary, the Manchester banks are eager to assist.

It is possible an appeal may be made to the Government.—Reuter.

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The need for a Hostel for these women students almost immediately arose and was temporarily met by the Church Missionary Society, who have for the time being rented a small house accommodating 14 students.

Owing to the uncertain tenure of the lease the present arrangement is precarious; the premises, moreover, are too small and the students are cramped for room. There is no possibility of accommodating more, with the result that the increasing number of women students make the provision of a larger permanent Hostel an urgent necessity.

There is increasing demand on the part of women students to take part in all University activities, which demand should be encouraged to the full, so that the power to work with others, the capacity for team work, may be well developed while they are still at the University, seeing that later the opportunity may not so easily recur for them to learn to be public-spirited.

With this in view it is now proposed to erect a permanent Hostel for women undergraduates to which all will be welcomed.

A meeting was called at Government House on the 29th October, through the generosity of Mrs. Southern, when the position was laid before the public for the first time, and an "Organising Committee" formed.

#### The Accommodation.

Before launching their appeal the Committee have thought it advisable to enquire into the accommodation needed by such a Hostel, and to estimate the cost of such a building.

Preliminary plans for a Hostel for 30 students have been made to enable an approximate figure of cost to be arrived at. It is proposed to give each student a bedroom-study, and provide a common room, library, dining room and Warden's Quarters. The Committee consider that the sum of \$120,000 is sufficient to meet all requirements.

It is hoped that this opportunity will be taken by many to show their interest in the higher education of women.

By subscribing sums for units as below subscribers would have their names given to the units concerned, this perpetuating their memory and their names inscribed on a suitable tablet in a conspicuous place.

The cost of room units is approximately as follows:

One Bedroom-study	\$ 1,000
Dining Room	10,000
Library	10,000
Common Room	15,000
Warden's Quarters	20,000

Further information will gladly be given by the Hon. Secretary.

### WIRELESS BROADCAST.

THE LOCAL PROGRAMME FOR TO-DAY.

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"Forever" Waltz. Park Central Orchestra.

"Don't The Raccoon" Fox Trot. Park Central Orchestra.

"It Goes Like This" Fox Trot. Park Central Orchestra.

"Buy Buy for Baby" Fox Trot. Park Central Orchestra.

"She's One Sweet Show Girl" Fox Trot. Park Central Orchestra.

"I Loved You Then As I Love You Now" Love You You. Park Central Orchestra.

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"If I Lost You" Waltz. Don Bestor's Orchestra.

"That Old Sweetheart of Mine" Waltz. Don Bestor's Orchestra.

"Come on Baby" Fox Trot. Victor Orchestra.

"Here's That Party Now in Person" Fox Trot. Victor Orchestra.

"Right out of Heaven" Fox Trot. George Olsen.

"Where Were You, Where Was I?" George Olsen.

"You Tell Me Your Dream" Waltz. The Troubadours.

"Good Night" Waltz. The Troubadours.

"Blossoms That Bloom in the Moonlight" Fox Trot. Victor Orchestra.

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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Under-Signed on or before the 11th January, 1929, or they will not be recognized. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 27th December, 1928, at 10 a.m. by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON &amp; CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1928.

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No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

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L. LESDOS, Agent.

Hongkong, 16th December, 1928.

Tung Shikun, Mr. T. N. Chau (Hon. Secretary and Joint Treasurer).

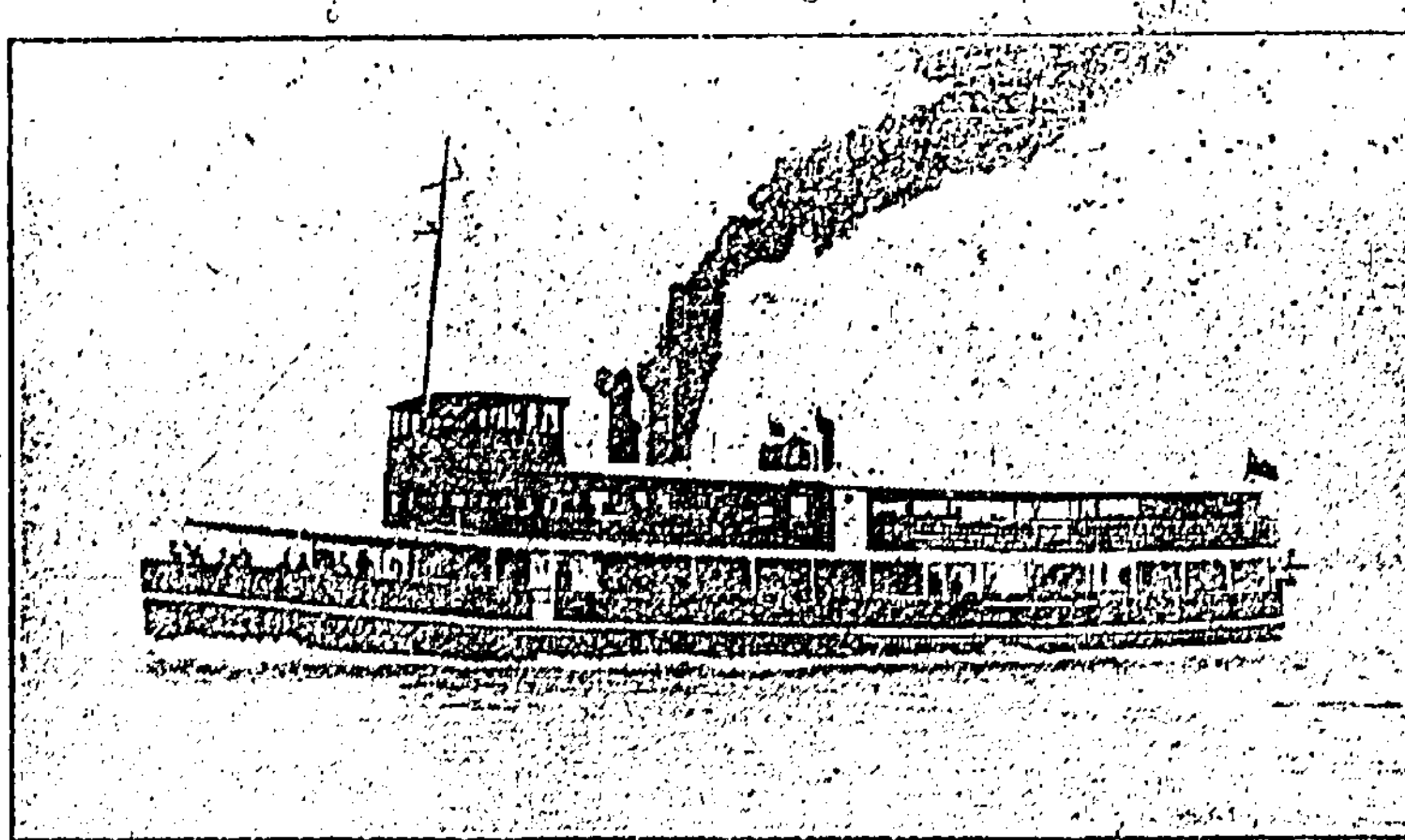
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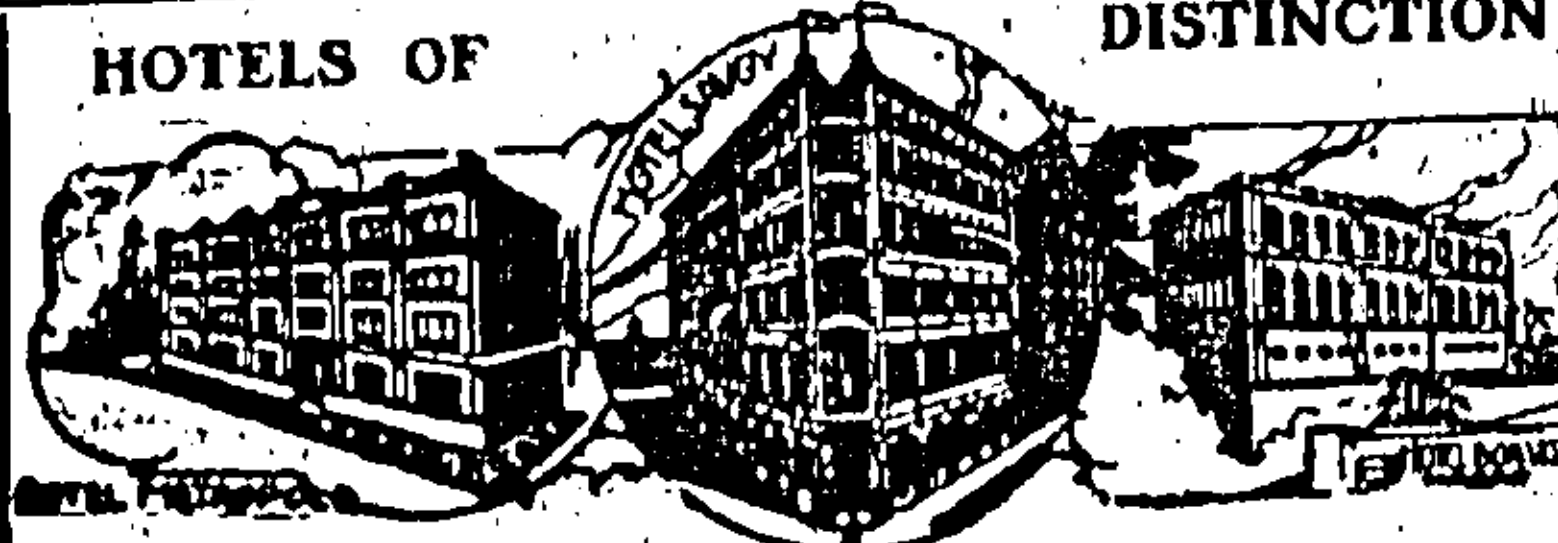
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## RUHR INDUSTRIAL DISPUTE.

### GOVERNMENT ARBITRATOR'S DECISION.

#### EMPLOYEES SUCCEED.

Dortmund, Dec. 21.  
The protracted dispute in the Ruhr iron and steel trade, which threw 500,000 workers into idleness, is definitely ended by the decision of Dr. Severing, the Minister of the Interior, who was specially appointed by the Government to arbitrate in the matter.

The decision which was recorded to-day, is in favour of the original award, which is binding until the end of the year, a matter of ten days, in order to compel respect for arbitration.

It will be recalled that the lock-out followed the refusal of employers to accept the Arbitration Award, in spite of its confirmation in the Labour Courts.

Dr. Severing has drawn up a new schedule which will become operative in 1929 and will be effective until the end of 1930.

Its leading features are the grant of an increase in the lowest wages by six pfennigs an hour, and a reduction of the working week to 57 hours.

Both employers and employees agreed before Dr. Severing was appointed to accept his decisions unconditionally. —Reuter.

### REAL CHRISTMAS PRODUCE.

#### DAIRY FARM MAKES A FINE DISPLAY.

The Dairy Farm Company's displaying of Christmas produce at their main Depot and at their Kowloon Branch is well worth a visit this year.

The main feature is farm-fresh veal dressed in the approved London fashion by the Company's butchers. The carcasses are gracefully draped in their furry skins of black and white, and red and white, and look really too good to eat. "Mr. Parker," complete with orange, comes a good second in the display, one's mind turning instinctively to apple sauce when viewing this item. The pigs on display are mostly Mid Yorks and Large Whites, we are told, and they certainly come up to home-made standard.

The Farm Yard is also well represented. "Mr. Turkey" being much in evidence but other denizens including ducks and chickens are also in great profusion. Game in variety and Canadian salmon are also to be seen.

The display carries the true Yuletide atmosphere, and it only requires a few snowflakes to take one right back to the Homeland! The Company is to be complimented upon its effort and upon the very high standard of produce shown.

### TROOPSHIP ARRIVES IN HONGKONG.

#### WITH THE 2ND STAFFS FOR SHANGHAI.

The transport Neurlia, arrived in Hongkong this morning from England with the 2nd Battalion of the South Staffordshire Regiment on board. The transport is two days late on her schedule, principally due to rough weather experienced between Singapore and Hongkong.

The South Staffs embarked at Southampton last month, the vessel calling at Bombay, Colombo and Singapore on her journey out. At Bombay the families of the 2nd Welch Regiment were picked up and disembarked at Colombo.

The Neurlia has also brought Druffs for Hongkong and Shanghai and will probably sail late to-day for Shanghai, where the South Staffs will be disembarked.

At Shanghai, she will pick up the 2nd Battalion of the Suffolk Regiment, which will proceed to India, and half the battalion of the Northamptonshire Regiment, bound for Malta.

According to the troping programme, the Neurlia is due to call here again on January 2.

The next transport will be the City of Marseilles due to arrive here on January 11 with the 1st Somersetshire Light Infantry on board. This regiment will be disembarked here.

Mr. S. B. B. McDermid sails for Tanganyika by the s.s. Naldora to-day to take up the post of Deputy Secretary to the Commission. Yesterday at the Colonial Secretary's office, the Hon. Mr. E. R. Halifax, Colonial Secretary, on behalf of the senior officials of the Hongkong Government, presented Mr. McDermid with a large silver cup with the names of the various officials inscribed.

## THE DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE.

### CHIANG SAYS KUOMINTANG IS SUPREME.

#### WAR ZONE REACTIONS.

The importance of the Disarmament Conference is indicated by the slogans issued by the Central Kuomintang at Nanking by Marshal Chiang Kai-shek. One of these states:—"All decisions reached by the Disarmament Conference should be obeyed by military comrades in the country." Another says:—"If the Kuomintang Party cannot administer the Army with Kuomintang doctrines, it undoubtedly cannot rule the country."

Referring to the Conference, Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, who addressed a large gathering of Kuomintang members at the Central Kuomintang Headquarters on Wednesday, in Nanking, said that the Party would be the sole political party to rule China and that there will no Army, such as the former Northern militarists, to oppose the present Kuomintang regime. It will mean political suicide if any military leaders in China dare to take the lead in any movement to oppose the present Nanking Government, which is "as strong as a mountain."

In commenting on the many prevailing rumours on the unsettled state of affairs in North China, Marshal Chiang emphasised the presence of Marshal Feng Yuxiang and Marshal Yen Hsi-shan in Nanking adding that these two influential military figures had indicated their willingness to co-operate with the present regime.

War conditions on the Yangtze are becoming tense and rumours are in circulation that the former Hankow leader, General Tang Sheng-chi, will re-emerge in the war zone and that he has received support from a prominent Nanking military leader to the extent of \$500,000.

Remarks on the Yangtze fighting, a Chinese observer states that these operations can be carried on for months.

Reports received in Shanghai, state that General Li Chung-yei, leader of the Hunan and Hupei Armies, has left Hankow. As he has not been seen in Shanghai or Nanking, it is believed that he may have gone to South China. His movements are causing many conjectures.

### COMPANY REPORT.

#### SANDAKAN LIGHT & POWER CO., (1922), LTD.

The report of the above Company for presentation to the shareholders at the sixth ordinary meeting to be held at the Head Office of the Company, 32, George's Building, Hongkong, on Saturday, 29th inst., is as follows:

The General Managers have now to lay before the shareholders a statement of accounts and balance sheet for the year ended 30th June, 1928.

The profit on Working Account, after deducting General Managers' commission, is \$30,301.15, but after charging Consulting Committee and Auditors' fees, providing for Sinking Fund to replace value of concession, and writing off depreciation on plant, buildings, equipment, etc., there is a net loss of \$5,639.54. This amount, transferred to General Profit & Loss Account, makes the balance at debit of that Account \$72,335.56.

Consulting Committee.—In accordance with the Articles of Association, Mr. C. A. da Rosa and Mr. J. P. Braga retire, but being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The accounts have been audited by Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews and Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming, who retire, but being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

### EXCHANGE RATES.

	London, Dec. 21.
Paris	124
Geneva	25.17
Berlin	20.30
Oslo	18.19
Helsingfors	109
Athens	375
Buenos Aires	47.5/16
Hongkong	2/0.11/16
New York	4.85 13/32
Amsterdam	12.07 1/2
Stockholm	18.11
Vienna	34.475
Madrid	23.78
Bucharest	809 1/2
Bombay	1/6.1/32
Yokohama	1/10 1/2
Brussels	34.87
Niham	32.65
Copenhagen	18.17
Prague	163 1/2
Lisbon	109 1/2
Rio	5 1/2
Shanghai	2/7 1/2
Silver (spot)	26.3/16
Silver (forward)	26.5/16

—British Wireless.

## GERMAN JUDICIAL DISPUTE.

### SUPREME COURT PRESIDENT RESIGNS POST.

#### CLASH WITH REICH.

Berlin, Dec. 21.  
Dr. Simons, the President of the Supreme Court, at Leipzig, which is the highest German judicial authority, has resigned, owing to a clash with the Reich Government.

The clash occurred because the Government did not await Dr. Simons' decision on a petition from Baden for an injunction to prevent the Government from filling vacancies on the Board of State Railways before January 1st.

President Hindenburg has expressed the opinion that the Government acted constitutionally and had not encroached on the constitutional rights of the Supreme Court.

The Chancellor, Herr Muller, reiterates that the Government was obliged to fill the vacancies by December 14th, to prevent serious prejudice of the Reich interests. He emphasises that the Government has no intention of showing contempt for the State tribunal's authority.

Dr. Simons is proceeding to Berlin to confer with President Hindenburg on the matter. —Reuter.

### MASKED WORKMEN AT HOLBORN.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Further explosions. Miles of streets were in darkness and the houses empty, the inhabitants having found lodgings with friends. A huge jet of flame is still burning at the spot where the fire started.

In the afternoon there were periodic minor explosions and in the evening fresh holes appeared in the roads. Firemen and Gas Company's officials were frenziedly working all night hastily erecting are lamps and sealing gas pipes to prevent the spread of the flames. Fire engines are standing by with hoses ready to be fixed to the water mains. The police have prohibited smoking and the striking of matches in the streets surrounding the affected area.

Damage Estimated at £200,000.

Later.  
The wreckage in High Holborn is estimated at £200,000, roads, sewers and other underground services accounting for £50,000.

Many gangs were employed all night long in the very hazardous job of boring through the gas-impregnated earth to seal the leaks.

The air was heavily laden with nauseating fumes, great tongues of flame leaping through the darkness, where escaping gas was allowed to burn in order to avoid further explosions. Gas elsewhere was hissing incessantly.

It will be some time before the street lights are restored or the roads are reopened to traffic.

Nightmare Conditions.

Later.

Nightmare conditions still prevail in Holborn. The devastation is accentuated by squads of workmen operating with pneumatic drills to unearth pipes, accompanied by intermittent underground rumblings. Here and there crimson and yellow fire is issuing in leaping pillars from fissures in the roadway.

Melancholy groups of inhabitants are discussing the disaster, which has ruined their Christmas trade. A few of the more optimistic have reopened their shops, notwithstanding that the public are not permitted to approach.

The ophthalmic hospital nearby is practically without fires, steam or gas. Operations are impossible, and the patients are being fed on tinned foods.

Prince's Theatre is bemoaning the loss of £700 at each cancelled performance. —Reuter.

### RUSSIAN TRADE IN GERMANY.

#### COMMERCIAL AGREEMENTS SIGNED.

Moscow, Dec. 21.  
The Russo-German Economic Conference has ended, after the signing of a Protocol, with eight supplements, defining trade and commercial agreements which will come into force soon. —Reuter.

#### A FINE WEEK-END.

The Royal Observatory's weather forecast for the week-end is as follows: North-East winds, fresh; fine.

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strong men loved, fought,  
toiled and died in their  
frenzied search for riches,  
and where only the fittest  
were fated to survive!

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